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EARLY RECORDS

OF THE

CITY AND COUNTY OF ALBANY, N.Y.

AND

Colony of Rensselaerswyck,

(1656 – 1675.)

TRANSLATED FROM THE ORIGINAL DUTCH, WITH NOTES.

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PREFACE.

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Among the registers kept in the office of the clerk of the county of Albany, seven volumes of the earliest records, viz: three labelled *Deeds*, two *Notarial Papers*, one *Mortgages*, and one *Wills*, are wholly or in part written in the Dutch language, and contain a variety of papers — deeds, bonds, mortgages, contracts, wills, vendue sales, inventories of personal estates, marriage contracts, proposals and sales of the slaughter, and of the wine and beer excise, leases, affidavits, indentures of apprenticeship, powers of attorney, correspondence with the governor and council, proceedings of Indian councils, in a word, records of all such formal transactions as were usually drawn up by and acknowledged before the chief officer of Fort Orange, or the secretary of the village of Beverwyck. All these are original papers bearing the autograph signatures of the parties concerned, such being the custom of the Dutch, whose statutes were based on the civil or Roman law. This custom continued many years after the Dutch West India Company ceased to bear rule over the province of New Netherland. The earliest registers were simply quires stitched together, which at a later date were gathered up by some one ignorant of the language, and bound and labelled regardless of dates or subjects.

The following work contains a translation of all the papers bound in the two volumes labelled *Deeds*, A and B. These documents are of a miscellaneous character, ranging in date from 1654 to 1678, and are in the handwriting of the following officers:

Johannes Dyckman appointed *commies*,[1] in 1651, held the office till July, 1655, when he was incapacitated by insanity. His earliest records extant begin August 19, 1654, and end July 7, 1655. They comprise nearly one hundred and fifty pages of volume B, and are a severe trial to the patience of any one who tries to decypher them, some portions being quite illegible.

Johan De Deckere was appointed to succeed officer Dyckman, the 21st of June, 1655; his first official act is recorded on July 7th, following,

[1] *Commies* may usually be translated clerk, but here it signifies the chief officer of Fort Orange.

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and the last on the 6th of July, 1656. He was evidently an officer of good capacity and spirit. His correspondence with Governor Stuyvesant, shows clearly that his office was anything but a sinecure.

Johannes De La Montagne received his appointment as vice director and *commies* the 28th of September, 1656; his first official act was recorded 12th of October, following, the last, on the 24th of October, 1664. He was accompanied by Johannes Provoost in the capacity of clerk, in whose beautiful handwriting the register was mostly kept during his administration. A portion of his record, from 17th of December, 1657, to 16th of July, 1659, are unfortunately missing.

Johannes Provoost served as secretary of Albany, *colonie* Rensselaerswyck and Schenectady, from the 12th of November, 1664, to the 8th of August, 1665, when he was succeeded by

Dirk Van Schelluyne, who came to Beverwyck, in 1660, in the capacity of notary public. His first official act as secretary is dated September 10, 1665, and his last the 9th of August, 1668.

Ludovicus Cobes followed him in the same office on the 5th of September, 1668, and continued until the 24th of October, 1673, when

Johannes Provoost was reinstated and held the office until the 11th of August, 1675.

Robert Livingston became secretary of Albany, September, 1675, and held the office till 1721, when he resigned in favor of his son Philip.

In addition to the above officers Adriaen Van Ilpendam acted as notary public in Albany from the 16th of August, 1669, to the 12th of November, 1685, his official acts being recorded in the volumes entitled *Notarial Papers.*

The papers of which the following work is a translation contain the oldest public records extant relating to the city and county of Albany. Hitherto they have been sealed books. Until the year 1865 they were not even included in the indexes of the office; and only now and then a curious antiquarian had patience to bring to light their hidden contents. If they have no other value to the legal profession, the informal methods of conveying and pledging real and personal property—here presented, afford an interesting view of the simplicity of those times. The local historian will find the facts here recorded in many cases new. The many curious customs long since disused and the habits and manners of a rude border community are here clearly portrayed; and inasmuch as the earliest

church registers before 1683 are lost, these records furnish in many cases the only authentic facts respecting the first settlers of Albany and the upper Hudson.

There is scarcely an old Dutch family in this region, the names of whose original ancestors from Fatherland may not be found here written (if the record be rightly interpreted), often hundreds of times and in various and interesting business relations. The right interpretation of these names, however, is a matter of considerable difficulty, only to be acquired after great familiarity with the writings in which they occur. This difficulty arises mainly from the constant disuse of surnames, a custom brought from Fatherland and practiced here more or less, a hundred years after the settlement of the country. Thus the original ancestors of the family of Schuyler were Philip and David Pieterse, brothers; of Douw, Volkert Janse; of Wendell, Evert Janse; of Vander Poel, Wynant Gerritse; of Hun, Harmen Tomase; of Van Buren, Cornelis Maasen; of Visscher, Harmen Bastiaense; of Van Benthuysen, Paulus Martense; of Vosburgh, Pieter Jacobse; of Van Schaick, Goosen Gerritse, etc.

In the following pages the surnames have been supplied in brackets [ ] as often as it was thought necessary, and to such persons chiefly whose names are still perpetuated in the ancient county of Albany. It should be remembered, however, that many of the persons named in this volume never obtained a permanent foothold here. The little hamlet of Beverwyck for fifty years or more, was mainly a trading station; the resort of adventurers from New Amsterdam and Fatherland, particularly at the business season (June, July, and August). For convenience and to obtain the burgher's rights in trade they purchased houses and lots. This trading community was changeable, some departing, and others arriving to take their places. After the conquest by the English, in 1664, many of this transient population retired, and immigration from Holland soon ceased.

It will be noticed that the following conveyances are for lots in Beverwyck, or for lands beyond the limits of Rensselaerswyck; in Schenectady, Kinderhook, Claverack, Coxsackie, Catskill, etc., The reason for this limitation is found, of course, in the fact that the manor lands were under a different jurisdiction, leases and conveyances being made by and before the patroon and his court.

The identification of the village lots, here described, is rendered nearly impossible by the brevity and vagueness of the descriptions, the streets and lanes being without names. A few lots have been located, others may be, perhaps, by a long and patient examination and comparison.

The first settlement at Albany was clustered around Fort Orange, near the foot of Lydius street; for two reasons this was soon after changed to

higher ground farther north, along the present Broadway,[1] first to avoid high water, and secondly to give space around the fort for free range of the guns.[2] The old church near the fort was used till 1656, when another was erected in the street at the junction of State street and Broadway, which made it necessary to lay out these streets of unusual width. Broadway, however, as it approached the north gate and *main guard* at Steuben street, was reduced to a mere cart path, and hence called the *Fuyck*,[3] a name very commonly applied to the village instead of Beverwyck.

It will be seen therefore, that Fort Orange and Beverwyck, though often confounded, were two distinct localities.

Some years after the surrender of the province to the English, another fort called Fort Albany, was built at the head of State street opposite the present Lodge street, and the old fort was abandoned.[4] The lands in the vicinity of Fort Orange, as the conveyances of a later date show, were mainly divided up into gardens, whilst the house lots, for safety, were mostly located within the palisades, which then ran from the river up Hudson and Steuben streets, curving north and south so as to join the new fort at the head of State street. Lots fronting on any street west of Broadway, the highest being *Bergh*, now Chapel street, were said to be "on the hill." The contracted space within which the village was crowded led to a very minute division of land in the best streets, and lots only fifteen to twenty feet wide, and of corresponding depth were quite common.

At the period of these records most of the dwellings were built on four streets, viz: Broadway from Hudson to Steuben; State from Broadway to Chapel; North Pearl to Steuben, and Chapel from State to the palisades which crossed this street about half way between Maiden lane and Steuben street; Beaver, Norton, State between Broadway and the river called Staats's alley, Exchange and Steuben which extended only from Broadway to North Pearl street contained but few dwellings; Hudson from Broadway to Green being simply the *rondwegh*, and James street a mere alley had no dwellings.

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[1] A great part of Fort Orange, was washed away in 1656, by high water, and application was made to Governor Stuyvesant, for assistance in rebuilding it.— *Deeds*, ii, 126.

[2] All grants for lands within 600 paces of the fort were annulled in 1652, by the governor and council.— *Dutch Manuscripts*, v, 6, 25.

[3] Albany "was formerly named the Fuyck, on account of two rows of houses standing there opposite to each other; which being wide enough apart in the beginning finally ran quite together like a fuyck," i. e., hoopnet.— *Dankers and Sluyter's Journal*, p. 319. It is believed that no street in Beverwyck, would answer to this description except Broadway, between State and Steuben streets, afterwards called the Handelaer's street.

[4] In 1680, when Dankers and Sluyter revisited the village the old fort was still standing; it had not then been long enough abandoned for the palisades to fall away by decay.— *Dankers and Sluyter's Journal*, p. 320.

A word may be allowed, perhaps, in relation to this translation; it is not claimed to be elegant English, indeed, the original could hardly admit of such, unless a mere paraphrase, instead of a tolerably literal rendering, were made of it. The translator was forced to contend with a hand writing in many places almost illegible, with much bad spelling, bad grammar and obsolete phrases and law terms.

A proper consideration, therefore, it is hoped will be made of all these difficulties in judging of this performance.

Whenever additions have been made they will in general be found enclosed in brackets [ ], except the notes, which have been made brief either from want of information, or because they were thought sufficient for the elucidation of the text. In annotating this volume the translator desires specially to acknowledge his indebtedness to the historical writings of Dr. E. B. O'Callaghan and to the *Annals of Albany* compiled and published by Mr. Munsell.

J. P.

December 1st, 1868.

ALBANY COUNTY RECORDS.

Appeared before me Johannes De La Montagne,[1] in the service of the Privileged West India Company, Clerk and Vice Director at Fort Orange and the village of Beverwyck in the presence of Messrs. Rut Jacobsen[2] [Van Schoenderwoert] and Andries Herbertsen[3] [Constapel, Vander Blaas], Commissaries[4] of the same jurisdiction, Thomas Jansen Mingael, who declared that he had transferred, as, by these presents, he does transfer and grant, in true, actual, and permanent possession, to the behoof of Jan Roeloffsen [De Goyer], his heirs, or whomsoever may receive title or action from him, the full half of a house and lot, lying in the village of Beverwyck in New Netherland, with all permanent fixtures,[5] bounded south by the street, north by the lot of Marcelus Janssen [Van Bommel], east by a cross street and west by the hill, according to the patent given by the Honorable Director General and Council of New Netherland, of date 24th March, 1654, to the aforesaid Jan Roeloffsen,[6] including the half of the aforesaid house, for the sum of one hundred and ten whole merchantable beavers[7] [skins], which number of beavers the before mentioned Jan Roeloffsen promises to pay in specie, without delay, on the four and twentieth day of September, in the year of our Lord one thousand six hundred and fifty-seven, for the payment of the same, pledging his person and estate, personal and real, without any exception; the said Thomas Janssen Mingael promising to free the said part of the aforesaid house and lot from all seizures, demands or claims that he or any other person may have upon said house and lot, renouncing all rights, laws, or customs, repugnant to his real interest, and henceforth putting the aforesaid Jan Roeloffsen in full possession of said house and lot under a pledge of his person and estate, movable and immovable, present and future.

Done in the village of Beverwyck in presence of Claas Hendericksen[8]

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[1] Johannes Le Montagne succeeded Johannes De Decker, as vice director and deputy at Fort Orange, 28th Sept., 1656. Johannes Provoost was secretary, and Ludovicus Cobbes court messenger. See p. 9, note.

[2] Rutger Jacobsen Van Schoenderwoert, *alias* Rut Van Woert, married Tryntje Jansen Van Bristede of New Amsterdam, 3d June, 1646, and had two daughters and one son, viz: Margaret who married Jan Janse Bleecker, Engel baptized in New Amsterdam, 10th April, 1650, and Ryckert Rutgersen.(?)

[3] Andries Herbertsen, constapel (gunner), was at Fort Orange as early as 1651; 1662 he killed Seger Cornelisse in self-defense, and his wife petitions in his favor; in 1662 he was deceased.

[4] *Kommissaris*, commissioner or magistrate.

[5] *Alles watter in is aert en nagel vast;* i. e., all that is made fast by earth and nail, as for instance the fence, and outhouses, and all permanent fixtures belonging to the house.

[6] Jan Roeloffse De Goyer, perhaps son of Roeloff Janse and Annetje Janse, was one of the early settlers of Schenectady where he was killed Feb. 9, 1690, in the destruction of that place by the French and Indians. In 1670 he accidentally killed Gerrit Verbeck in Albany, but on trial was acquitted, and pardoned by Gov. Lovelace.

[7] A beaver skin at this time was worth 8 to 10 guilders, or $3.50 to $4. See p. 13.

[8] Klaas Hendrikse Van S. was brother of Guert Hendrikse V. S., from whom the families of this name in the vicinity of Albany have descended. Klaas had a patent for a lot in Beverwyck in 1657; he died about 1661, when his widow Neeltie Frederickse married Willem Janse Slyckoten.

[Van Schoonhoven] and Cornelis Teunisse [Bos] called as witnesses thereto.

Done in the village of Beverwyck this 16th Oct., 1656.

As witnesses. THOMES JANSEN MINGAEL.[1]

Claes Hendrycksen.
Cornelis Thonisen Bos.[2]
Rutger Jacobsen.
Andries Herberts.

Acknowledged before me, La Montagne.

Appeared before me Johannes De La Montagne Clerk at Fort Orange and village (*dorp*) Beverwyck, in the service of the Privileged West India Company, the Hon. Pieter Hartgers[3] and Jan Tomassen [Mingael], who constituted themselves, as, by these presents, they do constitute themselves, sureties and principals, for the payment of the one hundred and ten whole beavers, mentioned in the above written conveyance; the same to pay without delay, for the person of Jan Roeloffse to Thomas Janssen Mingael, on the four and twentieth day of September, one thousand six hundred and fifty-seven, under a pledge of their persons and estate, movable and immovable, renouncing all reservations which might militate against their intent.

Done in the village of Beverwyck, the 16th of Oct., 1656. Present Henderick Jochimse and Jan Clute.

As witnesses. JAN TOMAS.

Hendrick Jochemse.
Johannes Clute.[4] LA MONTAGNE, Deputy at Fort Orange.

Appeared before me Johannes La Montagne, in the service of the Priviledged West India Company, Vice Director, and Deputy[5] of Fort Orange and the appendances of the same, the Honorable Rutger Jacobsen, inhabitant of the village of Beverwyck in New Netherland, who, in the presence of Messrs. Andries Herbertsen and Gosen Gerritsen [Van Schaick],[6] commissaries of the same jurisdiction, has acknowledged, as by

[1] Thomas Janse Mingael's wife was Maritie Abrahamse, daughter of Abraham Pieterse Vosburg. They had one son, Capt. Johannes Thomase M., who lived on north corner of James street and Maiden lane, and was buried in the church 15th April, 1731. T. J. M. was not living in 1662.

[2] Cornelis Teunise Bos was much given to gossip and backbiting; on the 7th March, 1657, he and his wife were accused of slander by Do. Schaets. On the 8th July, 1658, complaints were made that he had defamed the court, and on the 28th Oct., 1659, he was fined 1,200 guilders and banished for 12 years for the same offense, and the next year he was again arraigned before the court for a similar offense against Wm. Teller.— *Dutch Manuscripts.*

[3] Pieter Hartgers Van Vee came over in 1613 and first settled in Fort Orange as commissary 1654, died in Holland 1670. He married Sytje Roeloffse, daughter of Anneke Janse, by whom he had two daughters: Jannetie and Rachel.— *O'Callaghan's History of New Netherland*, 1. 411.

[4] Johannes Clute was from Nuremburg; he was commonly called captain, and was held in esteem by the Mohawks. He was a trader and large land-holder in Loonenburg, Niskayuna and Albany. After his death, about 1684, his nephew Johannes Clute inherited his property. From the latter and from Frederic Clute (his brother?) have descended the families of this name in the vicinity of Albany.

[5] *Kommies*, deputy or clerk.

[6] Capt. Gozen Gerritse Van S., brewer, is said to have married first, Geertie, daughter of Brandt Peelen Van Nieukerke; and second, Annatie Lievens 2d July, 1657. He had three sons: Gerrit, Anthony and Sybrant, and three daughters: Geertruy, Gerritie and Margaret. He and Philip Pieterse Schuyler had permission to purchase the Half Moon, now Waterford, of the Indians, to prevent "those of Connecticut" purchasing it.

these presents, he does acknowledge, that he is honestly indebted to the Honorable Johannes Withart, merchant, dwelling in the city of Amsterdam in New Netherland, in the sum of fifteen hundred and twenty eight Carolus guilders,[1] growing out of the delivery to him of certain bills of goods (*cargo soonen*) and merchandise by the said Johannes Withart, to his content, which sum he promises to pay without any vacillation, in good whole winter beavers on the last day of June, in the year 1657, under a pledge of his person and estate, movable and immovable, present and future, especially, both of his houses and lots in the aforesaid village of Beverwyck, and another lying in said city of Amsterdam; submitting himself and his estate to all courts and justices, for the payment of the above mentioned sum, without taking shift or subterfuge in any laws or customs, which might militate against the same.

In witness of the truth whereof he has signed these presents, with his own hand, in Fort Orange, this day 17th of Oct., 1656.

Andries Herberts. RUTGER JACOBSEN.

The mark of + *Gosen Gerritse.*

Acknowledged before me,

LA MONTAGNE, Deputy at Fort Orange.

Appeared before me Johannes De La Montagne, in the service of the Privileged West India Company, Vice Director and Deputy of Fort Orange and appendances of the same, Femmetie De Baxter, who in the presence of the Honorable Andries Herbertsen and Rut Jacobsen, commissaries of the same jurisdiction, has acknowledged, as she, by these presents does acknowledge, that she is honestly indebted to the Honorable Goose[2] Gerritse, inhabitant of the village of Beverwyck in New Netherland, in the sum of ninety-six Carolus guilders,[3] which she promises to pay in the month of April, in the year one thousand six hundred and fifty-seven, under a pledge of all her estate movable and immovable, present and future, especially her house situated in the aforementioned village, submitting herself to all laws and justices for the full payment of said sum; renouncing all laws, statutes, and customs which have been made in favor of woman.

In acknowledgment of the truth [whereof] she has with her own hand signed these presents. Done in Fort Orange the 17th, Oct., 1656.

This is the mark of + FEMMETIE BAXTER.

Rutger Jacobsen.

Andries Herbertsen.

Acknowledged before me,

LA MONTAGNE, Deputy in Fort Orange.

Upon this 21st day of October, 1656, appeared before me Johannes De La Montagne, in the service of the Privileged West India Company,

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[1] The guilder was worth about 40 cents.

[2] It is not uncommon, in the provinces of Holland where the language is spoken with the greatest purity, that the *n* is omitted in the pronunciation of words terminating in that letter, as will be found all through this work. Hence this name Gozen is frequently written *Goose*, the pronunciation of which is *Gō-ze or Ho-se*.

[3] Specie was scarce in the province at this time, and as paper money had not come into use, beaver skins and wampum or sewant became the currency of the people. A guilder *beaver* was worth about 40cts, whereas a guilder *sewant* was worth but one-third of that sum. "A good merchantable beaver skin," usually sold for $3.20 to $1.

Deputy in Fort Orange and the appendances of the same, in the presence of the afternamed witnesses; Dirrick Bensick,[1] inhabitant and burgess of the village of Beverwyck in New Netherland, who has declared, that to procure the payment of certain moneys to him belonging, by testament, consequent upon the decease of one Jurriaen Baxban, late provost at St. Casteel De Mina, in Guinea, and from one Nicholaes Twie, soldier, deceased in the year 1648, on the ship Thoff of Zeeland: Power of attorney was given to Roeloff Gerritse, crane master, at Groeningen, in virtue of the same to demand and receive the payment of said moneys from the Honorable the Directors of the Privileged West India Company, of the Chamber of Groeningen, for the receipt of which, he [Bensick] gave another warrant to Tryntie Van Rechteren, his mother-in-law, to demand of the said Roeloff Gerritse, an account of the residue of the same, and since the aforesaid Tryntie Van Rechteren died without having given intelligence of what she had done in the matter, the aforesaid principal [*comparant*] gave another warrant to Frans Pieterse Klau, carpenter, to demand of the above named Roeloff Gerritse a restitution of the moneys, and an accounting for the remainder, in case he had received such moneys, or if not, to demand and receive said moneys from the Directors of the Privileged West India Company at the chamber of Groeningen; but since the aforesaid Frans Pieterse Klau,[2] of this country, has fallen sick, and not knowing the event of his sickness: for the greater security in his case, and in the event of his disease, the aforementioned (principal), Dirck Bensick, has constituted, and, by these presents, does constitute the Honorable Johannes Withart, merchant, at present dwelling in Amsterdam in New Netherland, attorney, in his name and for his benefit to demand of the above named Roeloff Gerritse, or from his heirs, and those holding title from him, the restitution of the above mentioned moneys, or an accounting for the remainder of the same, in case he has received them, or in case he has not received them, to demand the same of the Directors of the Privileged West India Company. Also to demand of Christoffel Cornelise Bul, citizen of Amsterdam, husband of Tryntie Van Rechteren, his mother-in-law, the will and certain other letters belonging thereto, which will and other papers relating to the same, he, the principal, delivered into the hands of his said mother-in-law, Tryntie Van Rechteren; likewise to present his claim to said Christoffel Cornelise Bul and his wife as coheirs, or in case of refusal, to take proceedings for the division and partition of the estate and goods left by Tamson Berck, late husband of Tryntie Van Rechteren, father and mother of Catrina Berck, wife of this principal; the respective portions and parts to receive; of the same quittance to give; or in case of refusal of payment to proceed according to law. Likewise to claim, demand, and receive of William and Hendrick Berck, his wife's brothers, the sum of one hundred and forty Carolus guilders, according to their obligation, whereof an authentic copy is hereto annexed; moreover to receive certain fifty guilders due [?] on the demise of one Altien Berck, his wife's aunt, who died at Ringborck [?]; and generally to receive whatever he, the principal, has outstanding in fatherland (*Patria*) — quittance for his receipts to give, full discharge to grant; in case

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[1] Dirk Bensing (or Bensen) was deceased in 1660, when his wife Catalyn Berex is called widow.— *Deeds*, II.

[2] Frans Pieterse Klauw settled in Kinderhook. He had two sons, Hendrik and Jurriaan (and perhaps other children), who lived in the same place, and had families.

of refusal the unwilling to constrain to payment according to law; all terms of courts as well substantial as accidental to keep; to look after all suits against all persons with power of substitution in common form; in courts to conclude suits; submitting to composition and agreement; sentence and determination to follow up; if beneficial to yield, or put to execution: or in case of loss of suit to appeal; and do in the aforesaid matters all that his judgment shall find good, as he, the principal, if present, might or could do, if so be that any precept more especial than above written demands; promising to hold as good and true all that shall be done and transacted by the attorney or his substitute; under a pledge of his person and estate, present and future, without exception, submitting the same to all courts and judges, provided that the attorney shall be held to act properly with the receipts, and proper accountings of the remainder to exhibit, under a like pledge as above mentioned.

Done in said Fort Orange in New Netherland, in the presence of Johannes Provoost,[1] Lambert Van Valkenburgh, and Jan Clute, as witnesses thereto called. The mark of + DERICK BENSICK.

The mark of + L. Van Valkenburgh.
Johannes Clute.
Johannes Provoost.

Acknowledged before me,
LA MONTAGNE, Deputy at Fort Orange.

On the 25th of October, A. D. 1656, appeared before me Johannes La Montagne, etc., Claes Henderickse [Van Schoonhoven], who declared that he had granted, as, by these presents, he does grant and convey, in real and actual possession, for the behoof of Harmen Jacobsen [Bambus?], and Dirck Bensick, burgesses and inhabitants of the village of Beverwyck, for their heirs and successors, a certain house and lot situate in the village of Beverwyck, as it lies in fence, and as it at present is occupied by Jan Tomassen, except thirty wood feet[2] on the north side of the same in front and rear, together with the buildings, which stand upon said lot of thirty feet; for the number of two hundred and fifty-one whole merchantable beavers, which said number, said buyers shall pay, without delay in the month of July, A. D. 1657, to wit, the half of said number; and the other half in the month of July, A. D. 1658, the following year, under a pledge of their persons and estates, fast and movable, present and future, subject to all courts and judges, the seller promising to set said house and lot free from all demands, seizures or other claims, which may be upon said house and lot, renouncing under the above mentioned pledge, all exceptions, laws, and customs, which might be prejudicial to the same, which freeing of said house and lot [from incumbrances] the seller stands obligated to accomplish by May next, A. D. 1657.

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[1] Johannes Provoost was town clerk and notary public at Albany from 1656 to 1675. 8th Sept., 1693, he was lately deceased. He had three wives, of whom the second was Sarah Webber, widow of L. Vander Spiegle, married 26th June, 1685, and deceased Dec. 23, 1685; and the third was Anna, widow of Dr. Van Nieuwenhuysen, married 18th July, 1687. The only child baptized in Albany was Isaac, son of his first wife, baptized 23d Sept., 1683.

[2] There were two kinds of foot used by the Dutch in this province. The *hout* or wood foot, equal to 11.15 inches English, was commonly employed for all short measurements, and where simply the word foot is found in writings this kind is intended. The Rhynland foot, equal to 12.36 in. English, was used in long measurements such as land. When the rod was used it was always the Rhynland rod, consisting of 12 Rhynland feet.

Done at the above date in the village of Beverwyck, in the presence of Henderick Jochemsen and Frans Barentsen [Pastoor], witnesses for that purpose called.

CLAES HENDRYCKSEN.
HARMEN JACOBSE.
This is the mark + of DIRCK BENSINCK.

Hendreck Jochemsen,[1] *as witness.*
Frans Barentse Pastoor, as witness.

Acknowledged before me,

LA MONTAGNE, Deputy at Fort Orange.

And at the same time and before me, the aforesaid deputy, appeared Rem Janssen [Smit], and Henderick Andriese Van Doesborch, citizens of the village of Beverwyck, and constituted themselves sureties and principals (*burgen en principalen*), for the above mentioned number of two hundred and fifty-one whole merchantable beavers, for the full payment of the same, under a pledge of their persons and estates, fast and movable, present and future, subject to all laws and judges.

Present, Henderick Jochemse and Frans Barentse [Pastoor].

REM JANSSEN.
HENDRYCK AENDRYESSEN.[2]

As witness, Hendrick Jochemse.
Frans Barentse Pastoor, as witness.

Acknowledged before me,

LA MONTAGNE, Deputy at Fort Orange.

Appeared before me Johannes La Montagne, in the service of the Privileged West India Company, deputy at Fort Orange, and the appendances of the same, Rem Janssen [Smit], citizen of the village of Beverwyck in New Netherland, and in the presence of Messrs. Ruth Jacobsen [Van Schoenderwoert], and Andries Herbertsen [Constapel, Van der Blaas], commissaries of the same jurisdiction, declared that he had granted and conveyed, as, by these presents, he does grant and convey, in real and actual possession, for the behoof of Hendrick Gerritse[1] [Van Wie, or Verwey (?)], his heirs or assigns (*die van hem reght hebben sullen*); a certain lot for a house, lying in the village of Beverwyck, bounded south by Adrian Janssen De Vries, north by Hage Bruyns, west and east by the wagon road; breadth five rods,[5] length, seven rods and a half, in a square; according to the patent to the grantor, given by the Honorable Director General and Council of New Netherland, on the 25th of Oct., 1653, which lot the aforesaid grantor, to the aforesaid Henderick

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[1] Hendrik Jochemse was lieutenant of the Burger Company in 1658.— *Dutch Manuscripts.*

[2] Hendrik Andriese Van Doesburgh was in Beverwyck as early as 1653, but was deceased in 1661. His wife was Maritie Damens, widow of Dirk Van Eps; by her he had one daughter, Jannetie, who married Martinus Cregier, son of Capt. Martinus C. of New Amsterdam, and settled at Niskayuna, where their descendants may still be found. After Hendrik Andriese's death, his widow married in 1661 Cornelis Van Nes.

[3] Frans Barentse Pastoor had been a magistrate in Beverwyck at least two years previous to 1657. His house lot was on Broadway next north of Bleecker Hall. He left no descendants here.

[4] Hendrik Gerritse Van Wye, or Verwey, was a volunteer in the expedition against Canada in 1691, and was desperately wounded at La Praire; on his return he was cared for at the house of widow Jacob Tyssen Vander Heyden. It is presumed that he did not long survive. In 1691 he made his will; about this time Pieter Schuyler petitioned the governor and council for his relief. He left three sons, Gerrit, Jan, and Hendrik.

[5] The Rhynland rod consisted of 12 feet Rhynland, or 12.36 feet English.

Gerritse, has conveyed, promising said lot to free from all demands and claims that may be made against the same; by these presents, renouncing all laws, statutes and customs repugnant to this conveyance; under a pledge of his person and estate, fast and movable, present and future, submitting the same to all laws and judges, for the maintenance of this present conveyance.

Done in Fort Orange the 16th Octob., A. D. 1656. Present Johannes Provoost and Daniel Verveelen,[1] witnesses. REM JANSSEN [SMIT].

Daniel Verveelen,
Johannes Provoost, witness.

Acknowledged before me,

LA MONTAGNE, Deputy at Fort Orange.

On this 28th of October, A. D. 1656, appeared before me Johannes La Montagne, in the service of the Privileged West India Company, etc, the Honorable Adriaen Janssen Van Ulpendam, burgess and citizen of said village, and in the presence of Messrs. Ruth Jacobsen and Andries Herbertsen, commissaries, etc., declared that he had granted and conveyed, and, by these presents, does grant and convey, in actual and real possession, for the behoof of Adriaen Gerritsen[2] [Papendorp], fellow burgess and citizen of the same village, his heirs or assigns, a certain house and lot in said village of Beverwyck, bounded on the south side by the public road, on the north by Pieter Loockermans, on the west by Gerrit Janssen, on the east by Ruth Arentsen [Schoemaecker], according to patent to said Adriaen Van Ulpendam, granted by the Director General and Council of New Netherland, the 25th of October, A. D. 1653 (excepting from said lot a parcel of about three feet on the street, being a corner (*hoecke*) on the east side of said house, which corner the said Adriaen Van Ulpendam, heretofore, has conveyed to Rem Janssen [Smit]; for the sum of eighteen hundred Carolus guilders, which the grantor acknowledges he has received, and is content and satisfied; together with a certain garden entitled number five in said patent, for which garden said Adriaen Van Ulpendam, acknowledges he has received satisfaction, acquitting said Adriaen Gerritse of said sum: which house, lot, and garden the grantor promises to set free from all demands and claims, renouncing all laws, statutes and customs repugnant to the same, under a pledge of his person and estate, fast and movable, present and future, submitting the same to all laws and judges for the perfecting of his promises.

Done in Fort Orange, at the above date.

Rutger Jacobsen. ADRIAEN VAN ILPENDAM.
Andries Herbertsen.

Acknowledged before me,

LA MONTAGNE, Deputy at Fort Orange.

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[1] In 1687 Daniel Verveelen petitioned for the renewal of the grant of the ferry at Spyting Devil, formerly held by his father, Johannes Verveelen.— *English Manuscripts*, XXXV, 135.

[2] Adrian Gerritse Papendorp served as commissary or magistrate several years; he made his will in 1688 and speaks of his wife Jannatie Croon, but not of children.

[3] Adrian Janse Van Ulpendam was notary public in Albany for a time; in Jan., 1671-5, he said he was 56 years old.—*Notarial Papers.* In 1686 he committed suicide by hanging.—*Colonial Manuscripts*, XXXIII, 42. Jacobus De Beavois was his uncle and heir.—*Deeds*, IV, 12.

Appeared before me Johannes La Montagne, in the service of the Privileged West India Company, etc., Zacharias Sickels[1] Van Weenen, dwelling at Fort Oránge and in the presence of the after named witnesses, who has appointed and empowered, as, by these presents, he does appoint and empower, Adriaen Simonse, in the appointer's name and for his benefit to demand of the Honorable Directors of the West India Company of the Chamber at Amsterdam, the payment of such moneys as are due to him for services rendered by him for said company, on the island of Curaçoa, as appears by a settlement made on said island, and of date A. D. 1655, and for its receipt quittance to give in proper form; with power in case necessity requires it, to substitute one or more persons in his place, for the furthering the payment: promising to hold good all that the aforesaid attorney or his substitutes shall do in this matter (provided that the aforesaid attorney or his substitute, shall be holden to render an accounting of the money received to the principal or his attorney), under a pledge of his person and estate, fast and movable, present and future, submitting the same to all laws and judges.

Done in Fort Orange this 4th day of November, A. D. 1656, in presence of Johannes Provoost and Jan Lambertse [Van Bremen].

Witness. SACKARYST SECKELS.

This is the mark of + Jan Lambertsen.

Johannes Provoost.

LA MONTAGNE, Deputy at Fort Orange.

Appeared before me Johannes De La Montagne, in the service of the Privileged West India Company, etc., Hendrick Gerritse [Van Wie, or Verwey], citizen of the village of Beverwyck, and in the presence of Messrs. Philip Pieterse [Schuyler],[2] and Jacob [Janse] Schermerhooren,[3] commissaries, etc., who declared that he had granted and conveyed, as he does grant and convey, by these presents, in real and actual possession, for the behoof of Pieter Janse Loockermans,[4] his heirs or assigns, a certain house lot[5] situate in the village of Beverwyck, bounded on the south by Adriaen Janse De Vries, north by Huge Bruynsen, east and west on the wagon road, which lot is five rods wide; in length seven and a half rods, in a square, according to the patent to Rem Janse [Smit], granted by the Honorable Director General and Council of New Netherland, on the 23d of Octob., 1653, of which lot the grantor according to said patent received a deed from said Rem Janse, on the 16th Oct. last, and said grantor promises said lot to free from all incumbrances, claims and demands, which may come against the same, under a pledge of his person and estate, movable and immovable, present and future. submitting the same to all courts or judges; acknowledging that he has received satisfaction for said

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[1] Zacharias Sikels was corporal in the Company's service in 1658; in 1661-2-3 he was the town's herder and contracted to perform this duty for 18 guilders each beast for the season. In 1689 he was *ratel watch* for the town; and in 1693 he removed to New York.

[2] Col. Philip Pieterse and David Pieterse (Schuyler), brothers, early settled in Albany. The former married Margareta Slichtenhorst, 22d Dec., 1655, at the age of 22 years, and had a family of ten children. He died 9th of March, 1683-4.

[3] Jacob Janse Schermerhooren was a native of Waterland, Holland; he early settled in Beverwyck as a trader, and acquired a large estate for the times, which he left to his nine children. He died in Schenectady in 1688. All the families of this name in the state of New York are believed to be descended from him.

[4] Pieter Janse Lookermans was a brother of Govert L. of New Amsterdam, and in 1658 was boatswain in the West India Company's service.—*Dutch Manuscripts*, VIII, 835.

[5] See page 6.

lot, and acquitting said Pieter Janse Loockermans of the payment of the same.

Done in Fort Orange, 16 Nov., 1656.

HENDRICK GERRITSE,
JACOB SCHERMERHOOREN.

Acknowledged before me,

LA MONTAGNE,[1] Deputy at Fort Orange.

Appeared before me Jan De La Montagne, in the service of the Privileged West India Company, Vice Director and Deputy at Fort Orange,[2] and village of Beverwyck, in the presence of Messrs. Rutger Jacobse and Philip Pieterse, commissaries, etc., the Honorable Frans Barentse Pastoor, burgess and citizen of said village of Beverwyck, who declared that he had granted and conveyed, as he does grant and convey, by these presents, in real and actual possession, for the behoof of Michael Jansen, citizen of the city of Amsterdam in New Netherland, a house situated at Fort Orange, the place which was granted by the Honorable Director General and Council of New Netherland, to Jacob Janse Hap [or Stoll,] of date 3d July, 1649, which house the grantor, by virtue of a conveyance to him made by the said Jacob Janse Hap, occupies according to the tenor of said conveyance; for which house said Michael Janse [Van Broecchuysen][3] shall pay the sum of seven hundred guilders in good strong seewant (wampum),[4] the half next May, A. D. 1657, and the other half in May, 1658, under a pledge of his person and estate, without exceptions, which house said grantor promises to free from all seizures, claims and demands, which may be made upon the same, under pledge of his person and estate, movable and immovable, present and future, submitting the same to all laws and judges.

Done in Fort Orange, 20th of November, A. D. 1656.

FRANS BARENTSE PASTOOR.

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[1] Johannes La Montagne, a magistrate at Albany, N. Y., under the Dutch colonial government, was born in 1592; was a Huguenot physician, of varied acquirements, and came to New Netherland in 1637; in 1638 was appointed one of the council under Kieft; married, 1, Rachel Monjour; 2, Agritta Fillis, 18 Aug., 1647; 1641 was appointed by Kieft to command an expedition consisting of fifty men in two yachts to Fort Good Hope, now Hartford, on the Connecticut river, to maintain the Dutch rights there against the encroachments of the English; but the enterprise was stayed by the pressure of affairs nearer home; 1643 saved the life of Director Kieft, attacked by Maryn Adriaensen, and same year was sent to Staten island with three companies to put down the Indians, from which he returned laden with the spoils of several hundred bushels of corn; 1644 headed an expedition against the Indians of Long Island, where one hundred and twenty savages were killed; 1645 accompanied Kieft on his first voyage to Fort Orange, to secure the friendship of the Mohawks, on which occasion he conducted an analysis of the war paint of the natives, and discovered gold therein, to the great comfort of Kieft! 1647 was retained in the council by Stuyvesant; 1648 was dispatched to the South river to secure the Dutch acquisitions there, which was successfully done; 1652, it having been determined to establish a school in the city tavern, he was for the time appointed schoolmaster; 1653 he was in the enjoyment of an income of nearly four hundred dollars a month from his public offices; 1656 on the retirement of De Decker he was appointed vice director at Fort Orange, now Albany; 1660 headed a detachment of soldiers to discover and arrest forestallers (*bosh-loopers*, bush runners), or persons, among whom were some of the magistrates of the city, who went out to intercept the Indians on their way to Fort Orange with furs, with a view to make advantageous purchases against the regulations of trade; 1661 surrendered Fort Orange to the English, and swore allegiance to the new dynasty. His bouwery in New York was east of Eighth avenue, and extended from 16th street north to Harlem river, containing about two hundred acres, which was called Vredendael (peaceful vale).— *O'Callaghan's History of New Netherland; Documents relating to the Colonial History of New York.*

[2] Fort Orange was situated on the river side between Denniston and Lydius streets. Gov. Stuyvesant claimed for the West India Company all lands within 600 paces or 250 Rhynland rods of the fort, and in 1652 all grants which fell within that space were annulled. Dorp Beverwyck, situated to the north of the fort, fell within the land claimed by the Van Rensselaers.

[3] Michael Janse Van Broechuysen came over to Beverwyck in 1636, as a servant, with his wife and children. Having amassed a fortune in a few years in the fur trade, he removed in 1646 to Manhattan.— *O'Callaghan's History of New Netherland*, I, 436.

[4] A guilder sewant was one-third of the guilder beaver, and was worth about 13⅓ cents.

Appeared before me Johannes La Montagne, in the service of the Privileged West India Company, etc., Adrian Janssen [Appel] Van Leyden,[1] who declared that he had appointed, as by these presents he does appoint and empower, Honorable Arent Van Curler, in the principal's name and in his behalf to cite Marcelis Janssen [Van Bommel,] late farmer of the tapster's excise of beer and wine, and against the same to proceed to a decisive sentence, for payment for loss and interest on an anker[2] of brandy wine drawn in a violent manner through the public street, by Marcelis Janssen; from said sentence to appeal, or to acquit of the same; and in this matter to represent his person before the court of Fort Orange and village of Beverwyck; promising to hold good all that the said Curler shall do in this matter, under a pledge of his person and estate, movable and immovable.

Done in Fort Orange, Dec. 1st, A. D. 1656.

ADRIAN JANSSE VAN LEYDEN.

Acknowledged before me,

LA MONTAGNE, Deputy at Fort Orange.

Appeared before me Johannes La Montagne, in the service of the General Privileged West India Company, etc., Jan Bembo Van Lingen,[3] dwelling in the colony Rensselaerswyck, who in the presence of the after named witnesses, appointed and empowered, as he, by these presents, does appoint and empower the Honorable Philip Pieterse [Schuyler] in the principal's name, and in his behalf, to demand of the Honorable Directors of the General Privileged West India Company, at the Chamber in Amsterdam, or of the Honorable Director here, the payment of such moneys as are due to him, for service by him performed for the aforesaid Company, in New Netherland; according to an accounting to this principal given, signed by Petrus Stuyvesant under the credit side and by Carel Van Bruggen[4] under the debit side and quittance to give for the receipts, with power to substitute one or two [persons] in his place to further the payment of the aforesaid accounting, promising to hold as good and true all that the attorney shall do in this matter, under a pledge of his person and estate, present and future, submitting the same to all laws and judges.

Done in Fort Orange, in presence of Johannes Provoost, and Arent Vanden Berch,[5] 5th January, 1657.

JAN BEMBO.

This is the mark of + Arent Vanden Berch, as witness.
Johannes Provoost, witness.

Acknowledged before me,

LA MONTAGNE, Deputy at Fort Orange.

Conditions and terms on which Frans Barentse Pastoor intends to sell,

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[1] Adrien Janse Appel Van Leyden was an innkeeper; in 1651 he received a patent for a lot at Beverwyck, on condition that the house to be erected thereon be not an ordinary tippling house but an inn for travelers. He removed to New Amsterdam and petitioned for the freedom of the city in 1662. He married Folkie Pieterse, widow of Pieter Meese Vrooman, in 1663. — *Dutch Manuscripts* and *Valentine's Manual.*

[2] An anker was about 10 gallons English.

[3] In 1658 Jan Bembo was a soldier in the West India Company's service. He was at Fort Orange in 1656 and 1657. — *Dutch Manuscripts.*

[4] Carel Van Bruggen was provincial secretary at New Amsterdam, and died at Flushing, L. I., in 1682. — *O'Callaghan's History of New Netherland.*

[5] Arent Vanden Berg was a corporal in the West India Company's service at Fort Orange in 1657.

to the highest bidder, at a public sale, his house, lot, brewery and garden, as they are at present occupied and possessed by him, according to the patent thereof. *First.*— The house and brewery shall be delivered to the seller, as they stand, to wit, permanent fixtures (*aerdt en nagel vast*), except furniture and household goods, also the lot and garden, as they stand within their fences, according to the patent, with the horse stable and a hogsty. With the brewery, shall be delivered an undertrough (*underback*), a cooler, (*koolbach*), a brew kettle, a wort kettle (*bruypot*), a wort tub, a barrel kettle (?) (*vaetback*), and twenty stout half barrels and beer tubs (*bier vlooten*), an iron vise (?) (*werck greep*) a little kettle, a wooden funnel, a *neest* (?) cloth, a brewer's sling, two gutters, a long and short gutter, and a scoop. The delivery shall take place on the 1st day of May, 1657, until which time the seller keeps possession. Payment shall be made in these terms, to wit, on delivery a third part, on the 1st of August next coming a second, and the third on the 1st of May, 1658. The payment shall be made in good whole merchantable beavers, or by exchange on Holland, for which the buyer shall be allowed ten per centum advance. The buyer shall be holden to furnish two sufficient sureties each as principals, to the satisfaction of the seller. The per centage (*stuiver geld*)[1] becomes a charge upon the buyer. With the first payment a proper conveyance shall be made for the buyer, and with the last the patent shall be delivered. If the buyer cannot produce sufficient sureties in the time of four and twenty hours, then at his cost and charge it shall be sold again, and whatever it falls short the buyer shall be held to make good; but if it becomes of greater value he shall derive no benefit therefrom. On this 11th day of December, A. D. 1657, at a public sale of the house, brewery and appurtenances of the same, according to the specifications in the above conditions, the highest bid made was three thousand six hundred and thirty guilders, and Hendrick Andriessen [Van Doesburgh] stood the buyer, according to the conditions above narrated.

Done at the above date, in the village of Beverwyck; present Jacob [Janse] Schermerhooren and Lowies Cobus; and was subscribed by Henderick [Andriessen] Van Doezborch, Jacob Schermerhooren and Lowius Cobus.[2]

Acknowledged before me,

La Montagne, Deputy at Fort Orange.

At the same time appeared before me Johannes La Montagne, Deputy at Fort Orange, etc., Rem Janssen Smit and Direk Bensinck, citizens of the aforesaid village, and declared that they had constituted themselves, as by these presents they do constitute themselves sureties, each as principal, for the person of Henderick Andriessen, for the sum of three thousand six hundred and thirty guilders, upon the terms of payment, and in the currency specified in the above conditions, under a pledge of their persons and estate, movable and immovable, present and future, submit-

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[1] The *stuiver geld* was an arrangement made at all public sales, both of real and personal property, by which it was stipulated that the buyer should pay 21 stuivers to the guilder on the amount of his purchase, the odd stuiver being the auctioneer's fees, and was equivalent to 2½ per cent.

[2] Ludovicus Cobes was the tip staff or court messenger of Beverwyck in 1656, appointed notary public 1673, and secretary of Schenectady in 1677. He left but one child, a daughter, who married Johannes Kleyn of Schenectady. He died about 1681.

ting the same to all laws and judges, and renouncing all exceptions which may be repugnant to said pledge.

Done in the village of Beverwyck, this 11th of December, A. D. 1656; present Rutger Jacobsen and Jacob Schermerhooren, commissaries of the jurisdiction of this place: was subscribed by

REM JANSSEN SMITH.[1]

This is the mark of + DIRK BENSICK.

Rutger Jacobsen.
Jacob Janse Schermerhooren.

Acknowledged before me,

LA MONTAGNE, Deputy at Fort Orange.

Appeared before me Johannes La Montagne, in the service of the General Privileged West India Company, Vice Director, etc., Henderick Andriessen [Van Doesburgh,] who declared that he had surrendered, as by these presents he does surrender, to Philip Henderickse [Brouwer][2] his claim upon the house, brewery, lot and garden, and the appurtenances of the same, which he, the assignor, as the highest bidder, publicly bought of Frans Barentse Pastoor, on the eleventh of this month, according to the conditions and contract of sale, made the same date; with all the rights and claims which the assignor may have upon the aforesaid house, brewery, etc., for the sum of four thousand Carolus guilders, in good whole merchantable beavers [skins], at eight guilders a piece [skin], which sum the said Philip Hendrickse shall pay in three payments, to wit, the first on the first day of August of the coming year 1657, the second on the first day of August in the year 1658, and the last on the first day of August in the year 1659, with interest on the last two payments at 10 per cent. from the first day of May in the year 1657, until the final payment, under a pledge of his person and estate, movable and immovable, present and future, submitting the same to all laws and judges.

Done in the village of Beverwyck, this 17th of December, A. D. 1656, in presence of Claas Hendrickse [Van Schoonhoven], and Hendrick Reur, witnesses for that purpose called; and was signed by Hendrick Andriesse, Philip Hendrickse, Hendrick Janssen Reur, and Claas Hendrickse.

Acknowledged before me,

LA MONTAGNE, Deputy at Fort Orange.

Conditions and terms on which Jan Verbeeck[3] proposes to sell, to the highest bidder, at public sale, his house situate and standing on the river side, where he at present dwells. *First.*— There shall be delivered to the buyer, the house of two planks length, with a kitchen (*koockhuys*) of sixteen feet square attached to said house, with a chimney and an oven therein, and the whole lot, in which are contained his two gardens, one behind and the other before said house, all according to the patent there-

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[1] Rem Jansen Smit was in Rensselaerswyck as early as 1656. A person of this name was in New Amsterdam 1643-51; and in 1663 was at the Waalebocht, L. I., and being complained of by Adriaen Hageman for carrying off a ploughshare, was ordered by the court to replace it in the spot where he found it, and if he had any claim to prosecute it at law.—*Dutch Manuscripts.*

[2] Philip Hendrikse Brouwer was one of the original settlers of Schenectady in 1662. The following year, 1663, he accidentally shot Claas Cornelise Swits: the next year, 1664, he died. His wife's name was Elsie Tjerck. It is not known that he left any children.

[3] Jan Verbeck was one of the magistrates of Beverwyck for several years. His name often appears in the public records. If he left any children their names do not appear in the church registers.

of, together with a well and hogsty. The buyer shall receive the lot as it lies within its fence, with all the permanent fixtures, both in the house and on the lot, except furniture and household goods, and the tailor's shopboard. Delivery shall be made on the 1st day of May, A. D. 1657, until which time the seller shall have possession. Payment shall be made in three terms, to wit, on receipt of the property a just third part, and on the first day of August, the second part, and the third or last part on the first day of May, A. D. 1658. The payments shall be made, the half in good whole merchantable beavers, and the other half in good strung sewant, at ten guilders the beaver,[1] to be reckoned at the payment of the beavers. The buyer shall be held to furnish two sufficient sureties as principals jointly and severally to the content of the seller. The per centage to become a charge against the buyer. With the first payment the buyer shall receive a proper conveyance, and on the last the patent (*grondbrief*) shall be delivered. If the buyer can furnish no sufficient sureties within twenty-four hours, then it shall be sold again at his charge and cost, and whatever less it comes to be worth the buyer shall be held to replace, and whatever more it comes to be worth he shall derive no profit therefrom. After much bidding, Claas Hendrickse [Van Schoonhoven] remained the last bidder, for the sum of eighteen hundred and twelve guilders, who, in presence of Rutger Jacobsen and Andries Herbertsen, said conditions accepted, under a pledge of his person and estate, movable and immovable.

Done in the village of Beverwyck this 10th Jan., A. D. 1657, and was signed by Claas Hendrickse, Andries Herbertsen and Rutger Jacobsen.

Acknowledged before me,

La Montagne, Deputy at Fort Orange.

On same date appeared the Honorable Johannes Baptista Van Rensselaer [2] and the Honorable Philip Pieterse [Schuyler] who offered themselves as sureties and principals for the persons of Claas Hendricksen, under pledge of their person and estate, movable and immovable.

Done in the village of Beverwyck at the above date, and was subscribed by Jan Baptist Van Rensselaer and Philip Pieterse.

Acknowledged before me,

La Montagne, Deputy at Fort Orange.

Conditions and terms upon which Jan Verbeeck proposes to sell, at public sale, a house lying on the hill,[3] south of the house of Lourens Lourensen, and on the north side of the public road, with the whole lot according to the patent thereof. *First.*—The house with the whole lot [and all that is] fastened by earth and nail, shall be delivered to the buyer. The delivery shall be made on the 1st of May, A. D. 1657. The payment shall be made in two terms, to wit, on receipt of the property a

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[1] The beaver skin was worth therefore about $1 in this transaction, but oftener it is quoted at 8 guilders, and worth but $3.20 in our currency.

[2] Johannes Baptista Van Rensselaer was son of Kiliaen the first patroon. He was the first of the family who visited this country. He died 16th Oct., 1658.

[3] The first settlement at Beverwyck was around the Fort (Orange), near the foot of Lydius street, by the river side; subsequently those grants of lots were annulled, and the chief settlement was made farther north on higher ground along Broadway and State street, which was called the Hill. The land south of the city wall and Hudson street was called the Plain.

just half; and on the first day of August next coming, the last payment. The payment shall be made in good whole merchantable beavers. The buyer shall be held to furnish two sufficient sureties as principals, jointly and severally, in the space of twenty-four hours, and if he cannot furnish sufficient sureties in the space of four and twenty hours, then at his cost and charge it shall be again sold, and whatever less it comes to be worth, the buyer shall be holden to replace, and if it comes to be worth more, he shall derive no benefit therefrom. With the first payment, the buyer shall receive a proper conveyance; with the last payment the patent. The per centage a charge upon the buyer. After many bids, Hendrick Andriessen [Van Doesburgh] remained the last bidder for the sum of twelve hundred and ten guilders, who, in the presence of Rutger Jacobsen and Andries Herbertsen accepted said conditions, under a pledge of his person and estate, movable and immovable.

Done in the village of Beverwyck this 10th of January, A. D. 1657, and was subscribed by Henderick Andriessen [Van Doesburgh], Rutger Jacobsen and Andries Herbertsen.

Acknowledged before me,

La Montagne, Deputy at Fort Orange.

On the same date appeared Jurriaen Teunissen [Glasemacker ?] and Pieter Bronck, who, as sureties and principals, offered themselves for the person of Hendrick Andriesse, under pledge of their persons and estates, movable and immovable.

Done as above: was subscribed Jurriaan Teunissen and Pieter Bronck.

Acknowledged before me,

La Montagne, Deputy at Fort Orange.

Upon this 13th day of Jan., A. D. 1657, appeared before me Johannes La Montagne, in the service of the General Privileged West India Company, Vice Director, etc., the honorable Rutger Jacobsen, burgess and citizen of said village of Beverwyck, and acknowledged that he is indebted to Teunis Dircks [Van Vechten][1] and Cornelis Teunissen[2] as guardians of the estate of Cornelis Maasen [Van Buren],[3] the sum of six hundred and sixty guilders remaining of the sum of 1500 guilders, which the said Rutger Jacobsen owed the said guardians, growing out of the sale of a certain parcel of land lying on the island of Manhattan, belonging to the afore mentioned Cornelis Maasen in his life time, which sum of six hundred and sixty guilders he promises to pay in good strung sewant within a year from date, with interest on the same, in beavers reckoned at nine guilders the piece [or skin],[4] under a pledge of his person and estate, movable and immovable, present and future, especially the above mentioned piece of land, submitting the same to all laws and judges.

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[1] Teunis Dirkse Van Vechten came out from Holland with wife and child in the Arms of Norway, and had a farm in 1648 at Greenbush, north of that occupied by Tennis Cornelise Van V. He is referred to in 1663 as "an old inhabitant here." — *O'Callaghan's History of New Netherland*, i, 438. He was deceased in 1700, leaving 4 children.

[2] Cornelis Teunissen Van Vechten, son of Tennis Dirkse?

[3] Cornelis Maase Van Buren of Gelderland, Holland, came out in 1621 in the ship Rensselaerswyck. He had a farm at Papsknee. He and his wife Catalyntje Martense died in 1648 and "*beyde op eenen dagh zyn begraeven.*" He left 5 children, all of whom were living in 1662. — *O'Callaghan's History of New Netherland*, i, 431.

[4] The beaver skin is worth in this transaction about $3.60.

Done in Fort Orange, as above, in presence of Johannes Provoost and Jan Roeloffsen [De Goyer].

RUTGER JACOBSEN.

Johannes Provoost, witness.
Jan Roeloffse, as witness.

Acknowledged before me,

LA MONTAGNE, Deputy at Fort Orange.

Appeared before me Johannes La Montagne, in the service of the General Privileged West India Company, Vice Director, etc., William Frederickse Bout,[1] farmer of the wine and beer excise consumable by the tapsters, in Fort Orange, village of Beverwyck and appendancies of the same, who declared that he had transferred, as by these presents, he does transfer, to Jan Andriessen the Irishman from Dublin, dwelling in Catskil, the right in the aforesaid excise belonging to him, the assignor, in Catskil, for the sum of one hundred and fifty (150) guilders, which sum the aforesaid Jan Andriesse promises to pay, in two terms, to wit, on the first day of May, the half of said sum; and on the last day of October of the year A. D. 1657, the other half; under a pledge of his person and estate, movable and immovable, present and future, submitting the same to all courts and judges.

Done in Fort Orange this 19th of January, A. D. 1657, present Johannes Provoost and Daniel Verveelen.

This is the mark of WILLIAM FREDERICKSE BOUT.

This is the mark of ⌒ JAN ANDRIESSEN.[2]

Johannes Provoost, witness.
Daniel Verveelen.

Acknowledged before me,

LA MONTAGNE, Deputy at Fort Orange.

Conditions and terms upon which Dirck Bensinck[3] and Harmen Jacobsen Bembus, propose to sell at auction, the house where Jan Tomassen [Mingael ?] at present dwells, to the highest bidder, together with the lot. *First.*—The house shall be delivered to the buyer, as it stands fast by earth and nail, with the lot, in breadth on the west side seven and fifty wood feet, and on the east side seven and forty wood feet and a half, with the fence so far as the breadth extends as well as the fence lengthwise on the south side, all according to the patent thereof. The delivery shall be made on the first of May, 1657. The payment shall be made in two terms, in good whole merchantable beavers [skins], the first shall be made in the month of July, A. D. 1657, and the second in the following year, A. D. 1658, also in the month of July. With the first payment, a conveyance shall be given to the buyer, and with the last, the patent [*grondbrief*] shall be delivered up. The buyer shall be held to furnish two sufficient sureties, each as principals, to the

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[1] Willem Frederickse Bout, perhaps in Beverwyck in 1642. In 1657, and afterwards, he kept a public house, and was also farmer of the excise on beer, wine, etc.
[2] His Irish name was probably John Anderson; his nick name was Jantie or Johnny.
[3] His descendants write this name Benson, Bensen, or Bensing.

content of the seller, before he goes out of the house. If the buyer can not furnish sufficient sureties, then, at his cost and charges, it shall again be sold, and what it falls short, he shall be holden to pay, and that within three months. The per centage becomes a charge against the buyer. After much bidding, the bid remained with Jan Verbeeck, for the sum of two thousand and nineteen guilders, according to the above conditions.

Done in Beverwyck this 22d January, A. D. 1657.

JAN VERBEECK.

Acknowledged before me,

LA MONTAGNE, Deputy at Fort Orange.

On the same date appeared Claas Hendrickse [Van Schoonhoven] and Marcelis Janse,[1] who stood as sureties and principals, for the sum of two thousand and nineteen guilders, for the person of Jan Verbeeck, under pledge of their persons and estates, movable and immovable.

Done as above; present as witnesses, Johannes Provoost and Lowies Cobus.

CLAAS HENDRYCKSE.
MARCELYS JANSEN.

Johannes Provoost, witness.

Acknowledged before me,

LA MONTAGNE, Deputy at Fort Orange.

Conditions and terms according to which Jacob Janse Schermerhoorn proposes to sell to the highest bidder his house standing in Fort Orange, where deputy Johannes La Montagne at present resides, with a garden behind the fort. *First.*—The house, whatever is fast by earth and nail, shall be delivered to the buyer according to the patent thereof.

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[The above paper not having been executed, was erased].

Conditions and terms according to which, Caspar Jacobse [Halenbeek][2] proposes to sell his house, lot and garden, standing in the village of Beverwyck. First, The house and permanent fixtures shall be delivered to the buyer with the lot and garden, altogether sixteen rods[3] long and in breadth four rods and four feet, except the cherry trees, all according to the patent thereof. Delivery shall be given on the 8th of May, A. D. 1657. Payments shall be made in two terms; the first on delivery [of the property], to wit, the 8th of May, A. D. 1657, and the second payment on the 8th of May, in the year 1658. The payments shall be made in whole merchantable beavers [skins]. The per centage becomes a charge upon the buyer. The buyer shall furnish two sufficient sureties to the content of the seller. If the buyer cannot furnish sufficient sureties, then the property shall be sold again at his cost and charge, and whatever less it shall come to be worth, shall be a charge against the buyer. After much bidding, Harmen Jacobse [Bambus] remained the last bidder, for

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[1] Marcelis Janse Van Bommel was a tavern keeper in 1656. He seems to have been a man of good capacity and large business. His children went by the name of *Marcelis*, which name has been perpetuated by many families in Albany, Schenectady and elsewhere.

[2] Caspar Jacobse Halenbeek, one of the early settlers of Beverwyck, left two sons, Isaac and Jan, from whom have descended the families of this name in Albany and vicinity.— *Munsell's Collections on the History of Albany*, II, 410, *et seq.*

[3] Rhynland rods, 12 feet to the rod, and 12.36 English inches to the foot

the sum of eight hundred and ten guilders, according to the above conditions.

Done in Beverwyck the 22d of January, A. D. 1657.

HARMEN JACOBSEN.[1]

Acknowledged before me,

LA MONTAGNE, Deputy at Fort Orange.

On the same date appeared Adrian Janse [Van Ilpendam] and Abraham Pietersen [Vosburgh], who were offered as sureties and principals, for the sum of eight hundred and ten guilders, for the person of Harmen Jacobsen, on a pledge of their persons and estate, movable and immovable.

Done in the village of Beverwyck, the 22d of January, 1657.

ADRIAN VAN ILPENDAM.
ABRAHAM PIETERSEN VOSBURGHT.[2]

Acknowledged before me,

LA MONTAGNE, Deputy at Fort Orange.

Conditions and terms upon which Marcelus Janssen [Van Bommel] proposes to sell, at public sale, to the highest bidder, his house where he at present lives. *First.*—The house shall be delivered to the buyer, just as it stands, with a piece of the lot running through from top to bottom, the lot shall be 30 wood feet[3] wide at the top and bottom, and where the said house stands, with the permanent fixtures, except the hogsty, which the seller keeps to himself. Delivery shall be made the first day of May next. Payment shall be in two terms, to wit, on the first day of July, the first payment, being the first half; and on the first day of July, 1658, the last payment, being a year after the first payment. The payment shall be in good and whole merchantable beavers. The buyer shall be held to furnish two sufficient sureties, as principals, jointly and severally, to the content of the seller. If the buyer cannot furnish sufficient sureties in the time of twenty-four hours, the property shall be sold at his cost and charge, and, besides, he shall be holden to replace whatever less it shall come to be worth, and if it shall become worth more he shall derive no profit therefrom. The per centage becomes a charge to the buyer. After much bidding, Cornelis Wyncoop remained the highest bidder, for the sum of nine hundred and eleven guilders,[4] according to the above conditions, on a pledge of his person and estate.

Done in the village of Beverwyck the 29th of January, A. D. 1657.

CORNELIS WYNCKOOP.[5]

Acknowledged before me,

LA MONTAGNE, Deputy at Fort Orange.

On the same date, appeared before me Johannes La Montagne, deputy

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[1] Harmen Jacobse Bambus fled from Beverwyck in 1657 to escape imprisonment for debt, and his sloop and other property were attached at the suit of Rutger Jacobse. Having concealed himself at Esopus he was there shot by an Indian in 1658, and his body was carried to New Amsterdam for interment.—*Dutch Manuscripts.*

[2] Abraham Pieterse Vosburg was one of four brothers, all of whom settled in Beverwyck—sons of Pieter Jacobse V. The four brothers were Jacob, Isaac, Pieter and Abraham. The latter was deceased in 1674.

[3] Wood feet, at 11.15 inches English each. The wood foot, however, was commonly called 11 inches English.

[4] $364.40.

[5] Cornelis Wynkoop is supposed to have been a son of Pieter W. He is said to have removed from Albany to Esopus in 1664, where he resided until his death in 1674, leaving six children.

at Fort Orange, etc., Henderick Andriessen [Van Doesburgh], and Robert Engel, who stood as sureties and principals for the person of Cornelis Wyncoop, for the sum of nine hundred and eleven guilders, on pledge of their persons and estates.

Done as above.

ROBERT ENGEL.
HENDRICK ANDRIESSEN.

Acknowledged before me,

LA MONTAGNE, Deputy at Fort Orange.

Terms and conditions on which Jurrian Teunissen Glasemaecker[1] proposes to sell his house and lot, where he at present dwells, to the highest bidder. *First.*— The house, with all permanent fixtures, shall be delivered to the buyer, with the lot, length and breadth ten rods, according to the patent thereof, with two hogsties; also a part of a lot lying to the south of the house, in breadth about 23 feet. Delivery shall be given this current year in the month of May. The payment shall be made in good whole merchantable beavers, in two terms, to wit, on the first day of July, A. D. 1657, the half, and the other half on the first day of July, A. D. 1658. With the first payment a transfer (*transport*) shall be made to the buyer, and with the last payment, the patent (*grondbrief*) shall be given. The buyer shall be held to furnish two sufficient sureties, each as principals, in the time of four and twenty hours, to the content of the seller, and if the buyer cannot furnish sufficient sureties in the time of four and twenty hours, then it [property] shall be sold again at the cost and charge of the buyer, and all that it shall become less worth, he shall be holden to replace, and if it become worth more he shall enjoy no benefit therefrom. The auction fees become a charge to the buyer. After much bidding, Andries Herbertsen remained the last bidder, for the sum of one thousand five hundred and ten guilders, according to the above conditions, which he has accepted, on pledge of his person and estate, movable and immovable.

Done in the village of Beverwyck the 29th of January, A. D. 1657.

ANDRIES HERBERTS.

Acknowledged before me,

LA MONTAGNE, Deputy at Fort Orange.

On the same date, appeared Philip Pieterse [Schuyler] and Marcelus Janssen [Van Bommel], who constituted themselves sureties and principals for the person of Andries Herbertsen, for the sum of one thousand five hundred and ten guilders, and that upon pledge of their persons and estates.

Done *ut supra.*

PHILIP PIETERSE SCHUYLER.
MARCELYS JANSSEN.

Acknowledged before me,

LA MONTAGNE, Deputy at Fort Orange.

Terms and conditions on which Abraham Pieterse Vosburgh proposes to sell to the highest bidder, his house and lot, lying in the village of Bever-

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[1] Glazier. See page 14.

wyck, where he at present dwells. *First.*— The house, with all that is fast by earth and nail, shall be delivered to the buyer, with the lot, in breadth in front on the street from Tomas Clabbort's lot to the south side of his house, and in breadth in the rear four rods, and in length ten rods, provided that the door and windows on the south side of the seller's house shall remain closed, all according to the patent thereof.

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[This paper is imperfect and unexecuted].

Terms and conditions on which Rutger Jacobsen [Van Schoenderwoert or Van Woert], proposes to sell to the highest bidder, his garden, lying in the village of Beverwyck, according to the patent thereof. *First.*— There shall be delivered to the buyer, the garden[1] with its enclosure, lying by Herr Van Rensselaer's on the river side; and westerly on the road; in length 8 rods and 7 feet; along the river 8 rods and one foot: bounded on the north on the lot of Goosen Gerritse [Van Schaick] 6 rods, breadth on the south side three and a half rods, according to the patent, except the sagetrees (*salij boomen*) and the fruit which is thereon. Delivery shall be made on the 16th April, A. D. 1657. Payment shall be made in two terms, to wit, on delivery, the half in good merchantable sewant; the other half on the first day of August of this year 1657, in merchantable beavers. The buyer shall be holden to furnish two sufficient sureties in four and twenty hours, to the content of the seller. And if the buyer can not furnish sufficient sureties in said time, then it shall be again sold at his cost and charge, and whatever less it comes to be worth, he shall be holden to replace, and whatever more it shall become worth, he shall not profit thereby. The auction fees become a charge upon the buyer. On this date the 29th of January, A. D. 1657, Frans Barentse Pastoor remained the last bidder for the sum of two hundred and eighty-six guilders, according to the conditions.

Done in the village of Beverwyck this 29th of January, A. D. 1657.

FRANS BARENTSE PASTOOR.

Acknowledged before me,

LA MONTAGNE, Deputy at Fort Orange.

On the same date, appeared Jan Verbeeck and Gerrit Slechtenhorst, as sureties and principals, for the person of Frans Barentse Pastoor, and for the sum of two hundred and eighty-six guilders, on a pledge of their persons and estates.

Done *ut supra.*

GERRIT SLICHTENHORST.[2]
JAN VERBEECK.

Acknowledged before me,

LA MONTAGNE, Deputy at Fort Orange.

Terms and conditions on which Rutger Jacobsen [Van Schoenderwoert] proposes to sell to the highest bidder a lot situated at the west of his house where he at present dwells. *First.*— There shall be delivered to

[1] This garden lay on the east side of Broadway, south of State street.

[2] Gerrit Slichtenhorst came to Beverwyck in 1646, with his father Brant Arentse S., and served as schout-fiscaal for a short time. He removed to Kingston about 1672, where he died the 9th of January, 1684.

the buyer, the lot situate to the west of the house where he at present dwells, in breadth on the road 30 feet, in the rear or south side 27 feet in breadth; length on both sides 62 feet. The delivery shall be made on the 16th April, 1657. The payment shall take place on the first day of May, 1657, to wit, the half in good merchantable seewant, and the other half in good merchantable beavers. The buyer shall be holden to furnish two sufficient sureties and that in the time of four and twenty hours, to the content of the seller. If the buyer cannot furnish sufficient sureties in the aforesaid time, then at his cost and charge it shall again be sold, and what less it shall become worth he shall be holden to replace; and although it come to be worth something more, he shall enjoy no profit therefrom. The auction fees become a charge to the buyer. After much bidding Claas Hendrickse [Van Schoonhoven] remained the last bidder, for the sum of five hundred and six guilders, according to the above conditions.

Done in the village of Beverwyck the 29th of January, A. D. 1657.

CLAAS HENDERYCKSEN.

Acknowledged before me,

LA MONTAGNE, Deputy at Fort Orange.

On same date appeared before me Johannes La Montagne, deputy at Fort Orange, the Hon. Johannes Baptist Van Rencelaer and Jacob [Janse] Schermerhooren, as sureties and principals, for the person of Claas Henderickse, for the sum of five hundred and six guilders, on a pledge of their persons and goods.

Done *ut supra.*

JAN BAPTIST VAN RENSSELAER.
JACOB JANSEN SCHERMERHOOREN.

Acknowledged before me,

LA MONTAGNE, Deputy at Fort Orange.

Terms and conditions on which Gerrit Reyersen [Lansing ?] proposes to sell at public sale his house and lot standing by Jurrian Glasemaecker, and now occupied by Jan Broersen. *First.*— There shall be delivered to the buyer, the house by earth and nail fast, with the lot, four rods broad and 8 rods long, according to the patent thereof.

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[This paper was not executed].

Appeared before me Johannes La Montagne, in the service, etc., of the General Privileged West India Company, Vice Director, etc., the Honorable Rutger Jacobsen [Van Schoenderwoert], who declared that he had sold to Harmen Vedder, his house and lot lying in the village of Beverwyck, in breadth front and rear six and thirty feet, with an alley of five feet in breadth, in length to the kil, which alley lies between Goosen Gerritse [Van Schaick] and the seller, with a portion of the place where his brewery stands; which brewery shall be worked [by the seller] until next November of the year 1657, and the lot of said brewhouse shall then be delivered, for the sum of two thousand three hundred and twenty-five guilders, which he promises to pay in three terms, to wit, the first payment on the 20th of May, A. D. 1657, being a just third part, in good commercial seewant, reckoned at ten guilders the beaver; the second

payment shall be made on the first of August of the year 1657, in good whole merchantable beavers; and the third payment on the first day of August, A. D. 1658, also in good whole merchantable beavers, the seller promising to give the buyer a deed (*transport*) on the 20th of May, on the first payment; under pledge of their persons and estates, movable and immovable, present and future, submitting the same to all laws and judges.

Done in Fort Orange the 31st of January, A. D. 1657, in presence of Henderick Andriessen [Van Doesburgh] and Johannes Provoost.

RUTGER JACOBSEN.
HARMAN VEDDER.[1]

Hendrick Andriessen.
Johannes Provoost, witness.

Acknowledged before me,

LA MONTAGNE, Deputy at Fort Orange.

Appeared before me Johannes La Montagne, in the service, etc., and in the presence of Rutger Jacobsen and Andries Herbertsen, commissaries, etc., Frans Barentsen Pastoor, burgess and citizen of the village of Beverwyck, and declared that he had granted and conveyed, as by these presents he does grant and convey, in real and actual possession, to the behoof of Henderick Andriessen [Van Doesburgh], also a citizen of said village, a house, brewhouse, lot and garden lying in the village of Beverwyck, according to the patent granted to him by the Director General and Council of New Netherland, for the sum of three thousand six hundred and thirty guilders, which the aforesaid Henderick Andriessen shall pay in three terms, in good whole merchantable beavers, to wit, on the first day of May of the current year 1657, a just third part; on the first day of August next coming the second third part, and the last third part on the first day of May in the year 1658; which house, brewhouse, lot and garden the grantor shall free from all claims and demands, which may be upon the same; the parties respectively to the observance of this contract, pledging their persons and estates, present and future, and submitting the same to all laws and judges.

Done in Fort Orange the tenth day of February, A. D. 1657.

FRANS BARENTSE PASTOOR.

Rutger Jacobsen.
Andries Herberts.

Acknowledged before me,

LA MONTAGNE, Deputy at Fort Orange.

Upon this 10th of February, 1657, appeared before me Johannes La Montagne, Deputy, etc., Andries Harperssen, burgess and citizen of the village of Beverwyck, who declared that he had granted to Jan Martense [Beekman][2] also a citizen of the same village, all the right that he, the grantor has in the house and lot of Jurrian Teunisse [Glazemaecker] by

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[1] Harman Albertse Vedder was early a trader in Albany. In 1672 he bought a *bouwerij* in Schenectady, where he settled with his five sons and one daughter. He was not living in 1715. The families of this name in the vicinity of Albany are descended from him.

[2] Jan Martense Beekman, son of Marten Beekman, blacksmith, married, 1, Machtelt, daughter of Jacob Janse Schermerhooren; and 2, Eva Vinhagen, on the 26th of October, 1692. He had 15 children baptized, of whom 13 were mentioned as living, in his will, made 16th December, 1728. He was buried September 30, 1732.

him, the grantor, obtained at a public sale held on the 20th of January, 1657, according to the conditions read at the time, for the sum of three and twenty hundred guilders, which sum the said Jan Martense promises to pay in good strung seewant, or corn at the market price, in three terms, the first, on the first of May of the current year 1657; 800 guilders on the first day of May of the year 1658; and the third or last on the first day of May, A. D. 1659; and all on a pledge of their persons and goods, movable and immovable, submitting the same to all courts and judges.

Done *ut supra*, in presence of Marcelus Janssen and Rutger Jacobsen as witness called for that purpose.

This is the mark of >+ JAN MARTENSE.

Rutger Jacobsen.
Marcelys Jansen.

LA MONTAGNE, Deputy at Fort Orange.

Terms and conditions on which Pieter Bronck proposes to sell, to the highest bidder, his log house (*balckenhuys*), at public sale, and the lot thereof. *First.*—There shall be delivered to the buyer the house fast by earth and nail, with the lot, which is in length a hundred and fifty-four feet and a half; rear sixteen wood feet; breadth on the road the same as the house, with an alley on the south side seven feet in breadth.

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[On the 26th of February, A. D. 1657, the above property was bidden in by the owner, atthe house of William Frederickse Bout, and of course this paper was not executed].

Terms and conditions according to which Pieter Bronck proposes to sell, to the highest bidder, at public sale, his house lying on the hill. *First.*—There shall be delivered to the buyer the house and fixtures with the lot, 20 rods in length and five rods in breadth, according to the patent thereof; which house is leased until the first day of May, A. D. 1658, for the sum of five and twenty beavers, which five and twenty beavers the buyer shall receive.

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[This property was bidden in by the owner, Pieter Bronck, 26th of February, A. D. 1657, at the house of William Frederickse Bout, and the above paper was not executed].

Terms and conditions according to which Pieter Bronck proposes to sell his house standing to the north of the log house (*balckenhuys*), with the lot. *First.*—There shall be delivered to the buyer, the house and all the fixtures, with the lot 83 wood feet in length, and 8 eight feet in breadth in the rear, with a hogsty; which house is leased until the first day of May, A. D. 1657, for the sum of 12 beavers, which 12 beavers the buyer shall receive, etc.

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[The above property was bidden in by the owner Pieter Bronck, on the 26th of February, A. D. 1657, at the house of William Frederickse Bout, and this paper was not executed].

Terms and conditions according to which Claas Hendrickse [Van Schoonhoven] proposes to sell his lot, which he holds from Rutger

Jacobsen, lying to the west of the house of Rutger Jacobsen. *First.*—There shall be delivered to the buyer the lot, thirty feet broad on the road, in the rear or south side seven and twenty feet broad, length on both sides sixty-two feet. Delivery shall be made on the 16th of April, A. D. 1657. Payment shall be made in good whole merchantable beavers, in two terms; with the delivery, the half, and on the first day of July, A. D. 1657, the other half. The buyer shall be holden to furnish two sufficient sureties to stand as principals to the content of the seller. If the buyer can not furnish sufficient sureties in the aforesaid time, then it shall be offered for sale again at his cost and charge, and whatever less it shall come to be worth, he shall be holden to replace, and if it shall come to be worth more, he shall receive no benefit therefrom. The auction fees become a charge against the buyer. After much bidding, Claas Hendrickse remained the last bidder on the 26th of February, A. D. 1657, at the house of William Frederickse Bont.

[This paper was not executed].

Conditions and terms according to which Do. Gideon Schaets [1] proposes to sell his garden lying behind Fort Orange, on the south bounded by Gillis Pieterse [Timmerman], and on the north side by Jacob De Brouwer, on the east side by Pieter Hartgers, and on the west side by the road, more or less as described in the patent. The delivery shall be made for ready pay (*contant*). The payment shall be made in good whole merchantable beavers, the last of July, in the year 1657. The auction fees become a charge upon the buyer. After much bidding, Jan Van Aecken remained the bidder for the sum 107 guilders, according to the above conditions.

Done in Fort Orange this 26th of February, A. D. 1657.

This is the mark of JAN COSTER VAN AECKEN.

Acknowledged before me,

LA MONTAGNE.

Teunis Teunissen Metselaer proposes to sell a garden, 7 rods long and four rods broad, lying behind Jan De Wever's house, by Fort Orange. Delivery shall be made on the first of March, A. D. 1657. Payment shall be made in the month of October, A. D. 1657, in good whole merchantable beavers. The auction fees become a charge on the buyer. After much bidding, Jan Clute remained the last bidder, for the sum of 38 guilders, according to the above conditions.

Done in the village of Beverwyck, the 26th of February, A. D. 1657.

JOHANNES CLUTE.

Acknowledged before me,

LA MONTAGNE.

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[1] Do. Gideon Schaets became minister of the church in Albany in 1652, and continued in office until his death about 1691, at the age of 83 years. On the 13th of Aug., 1686, his age is thus spoken of in the church records; "Veder Gideon Schaats van syn *negen en Seventige* jaaren syn onderdoms," etc. His house was on the east side of Broadway between State and Beaver streets, near the bridge over the Rutten kil. He had two wives, the second of whom was Barentje Hendrikse of New York, whom he married 22d Aug., 1683. His children were Reynier, who was killed in Schenectady Feb. 9, 1690, Bartholomew, who settled in New York, and Anneke, who married Thomas Davidtse Kikebell of New York.

I, the subscriber, Daniel Rinckhout,[1] acknowledge that I have hired of Reynier Wisselpenningh,[2] a house standing and lying in the village of Beverwyck, for the sum of one hundred guilders, half beavers and half seewant, which I am to pay as the rent becomes due, from the middle of next August, of the year 1657, to the first day of June, of the year 1658, when the lessee shall be holden to deliver up the said house, glass and roof tight. Below, the parties respectively pledge their persons and estates, movable and immovable, the same submitting to all laws and judges without craft or trick.

Done in the village of Beverwyck the 23d of February, (?) A. D. 1657, in the presence of Jan Roeloffse [De Goyer] and Pieter Lambertsen.

DANIEL RINGHOUT.
RYNIER WISSELPENNINGH.

Jan Roeloffse.
Pieter Lambertsen.

Copy of a certain paper given by Jacob Adriansen[3] [*Raadmaecker*], to the trustees of the estate of Kit Davids and Cornelia De Vos, his late wife, which Jacob Jansen Tol [Stol][4] wrote with his own hand. I, the subscriber, Kit Davids, acknowledge that I have well and truly sold Jacob Janssen Hap [or Stoll] those my lands lying in the Great Esopus, next the farm (*bouwery*) of the late Johans De Hulter, with a road passing over the same; provided that he make payment to the seller, Kit Davids, from this date, being the 17th day of August, to wit, in three terms, the first payment to be after delivery made, provided that he, Kit Davids, gets him a clean transfer from the Indians (*wilden*), and moreover a patent (*grondbrief*), from the Honorable [West India] Company. In accordance with my own hand, with witness hereto called and asked and that for the sum of 1400 guilders, say, fourteen hundred guilders, without any abatement or haggling (*accordatie*). So have I as seller, with my accustomed sign manual, subscribed this [paper] was subscribed.

This is the mark of **P** Kit Davids,[5] with my own hand as seller.

JACOB JANSSEN STOL.

As witness, Jacob Adriaense.

Agrees with the principal so far as we could read it.

Quod Attestor.

LA MONTAGNE, Deputy at Fort Orange.

Inventory of the estate of Kit Davids, and of the late Cornelia De Vos [his wife].

In a great chest.

A pair of red and yellow sleeves.

A Haerlemer damask under waisteoat, red and blue.

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[1] Daniel Rinkhont was a baker, 36 years of age in 1662, from Pomeren, Holland. He made his will in 1662 and gave his property to his brother Jan, save 25 guilders, to his brother Aertman of Pomeren, if living.— *Notarial papers*, I, 63.

[2] Reynier Wisselpenningh was probably a carpenter. He brought an action against the church in 1658 for building a baptistry (*doop huysje*), and obtained judgment for 270 guilders.— *Dutch Manuscripts.*

[3] Jacob Adriaensen Van Utrecht came to Beverwyck in 1639.— *O'Callaghan's History of New Netherland*, I, 438.

[4] Jacob Janse Stoll (or Hap) came to Beverwyck in 1630, and succeeded Hendrik Albertsen as ferry master. He removed to Esopus about 1657. He corresponded with Governor Stuyvesant in relation to the Indians and other matters.— *Dutch Manuscripts.*

[5] Christoffel Davids was a native of England. In 1656 he received a patent for 36 morgens of land at Esopus from which he was driven by the Indians, and in 1663 asks permission to reenter

A red cloth under waistcoat.
A red cloth under petticoat.
A Pooyse apron.
A black silk damask gown with red lining.
13 napkins, made up.
6 ditto cut unmade.
A pair of curtains with a valance.
2 old dark green ditto with a valance.
A little table cloth.
A child's yellow jacket.
5 bed sheets (*laeckens*).
10 pillows.
A piece of fine linnen, of 1½ ells.
7 cotton swathing cloths (*luyers*).
A package of childs bed linnen.
7 night neckercheifs.
5 white bibs (*voor schooten*).
5 Tuckers (*neer stucken*).
5 womans handkercheifs.
A package of child's bed linnen tied in a square linnen cloth.

Also two corn bags and two deer skins, a bed with its bolster, two pillows, two towels, with a coverlet and a sheet.

This inventory was made in the presence of Christoffel Davids, Jan Verbeeck,[1] and Evert Wendels, orphan masters, at the request of Andries De Vos, guardian, in the absence of Arent Andriesse (Bratt) fellow guardian, by me Johannes La Montagne, as officer at Fort Orange and village of Beverwyck, who had the above mentioned goods locked and sealed in a great chest, on the 2d of March, A. D. 1657. Was subscribed by Jan Verbeeck, Evert Wendels,[2] and Andries De Vos, as orphan masters.

Acknowledged before me,

La Montagne, Deputy at Fort Orange.

Appeared before me Johannes La Montagne, in the service of the West India Company, deputy, etc., Andries De Vos and Arent Andriessen [Bratt] of the one side, and the Honorable Frans Barentse Pastoor of the other side; who [have come to an agreement] with each other, in respect to the sale of the garden, which said Frans Barentsen, at a public sale, purchased, on the 29th of January, A. D. 1657, of Rutger Jacobsen; which garden was again purchased afterwards by Christoffel Davids, at a public sale, on the 26th of February, of said Frans Barentsen in this manner, to wit, that the aforesaid Andries De Vos,[3] and Arent Andriesse

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upon the same. His wife was Cornelia De Vos, who was deceased in 1657. Their son David settled at Schenectady where with his wife and 4 children he was killed by the French and Indians, February 9, 1690.

[1] Jan Verbeek and family arrived at Manhattans 29th Nov., 1641. In 1670 he had a grant of a lot on the west corner of James and Steuben streets. In 1697 he was eighty five years old, and died about 1699.

[2] Evert Janse Wendel had a house lot on the north corner of James and State streets, which was occupied in 1714, by his son Thomas. He was sixty years old in 1675, had two wives, Elsie and Ariantie; and sons, Evert and Johannes, and perhaps Thomas, Hieronimus, Philip, and Abraham.

[3] Andries De Vos had a lot on the west corner of James and Columbia streets, afterwards owned in 1726 by Harmanus Wendel; also ground north of Steuben and west of Pearl streets. He was brother-in-law of Barent Pieterse Coeymans and father-in-law of Cornelis Vos. His daughter Catalyntie married, 1, Arent Andriese Bratt; 2, Barent Janse Van Ditmars, who

[Bratt], trustees legally appointed, of the estate left by Cornelia De Vos, late wife of the above mentioned Christoffel Davids, have obligated themselves, by these presents in said capacity [of trustees] as principals, to pay the sum of two hundred and eighty-six guilders, to the Honorable Rutger Jacobsen, for and in place of said Frans Barentse [Pastoor], in the same money as the conditions of said sale, made on the 29th of January, A. D. 1657, mentioned; and, moreover, to said Frans Barentse the sum of thirty guilders, and to the deputy the sum of fourteen guilders six stuivers for per centage; which obligation the aforesaid Frans Barentse has accepted; the parties respectively pledging for the observance of these presents, their persons and estates, movable and immovable, present and future.

Done in the village of Beverwyck, this 5th of March, A. D, 1657, in presence of Jan Verbeeck and Evert Wendels, orphan masters, as witnesses; was subscribed, Andries De Vos, with the mark of Arent Andriesse [Brat];[1] Frans Barentse Pastoor, Jan Verbeeck, witness, and Evert Wendels, as witness.

Acknowledged before me,

La Montagne, Deputy at Fort Orange.

Appeared before me Johannes De La Montagne, in the service, etc., Jan Janssen Van Kromenborch, who in the presence of the after named witnesses, declared that he had appointed, as by these presents he does appoint, Sacharias Sickels corporal at Fort Orange, in his name to demand of the commissary of the West India Company in New Netherlands, the settlement of his wages earned, and the payment of the same, in a proper manner; promising to hold good all that the attorney [Sickels] shall in this matter do, on a pledge of his person and estate.

Done in Fort Orange the 13th of April, A. D. 1657, present Jan Janssen Van St Tobyn[2] and Marcelis Janssen [Van Bommel].

This is the mark of + Jan Janssen Van Kromenborch.

This is the mark of *Jan Janssen Van St. Tobyn.*

Marcelys Janssen.

La Montagne, Deputy at Fort Orange.

Appeared before me Johannes La Montagne, in the service, etc., Hans Coenradtsen [Backer] late soldier in the service of said company, who declared that he had appointed, as by these presents he does appoint, Jan Van Eeckelen,[3] at present citizen of the village of Beverwyck, in the constituent's name and in his behalf, to demand and procure a settlement and payment of the honorable commissary, and the receipt of all such moneys from New Netherland as are coming to your constituent, for his services rendered to the aforesaid company in this country;

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was killed at Schenectady February 9, 1690; and 3, Claas Janse Van Boekhoeven, whom she outlived, and died about 1712 in Schenectady. Cornelia, wife of Christoffel Davidts, was probably another daughter of Andries De Vos.

[1] Arent Andriese Bratt was brother of Albert Andriese Bratt, or De Noorman, who settled in Albany. The former married Catalyntje De Vos, who, on the death of her husband, in 1652, removed to Schenectady with her six children. From this branch are descended the Bratts of Schenectady.

[2] Jan Jansen St. Obyn was a resident of New Amsterdam.— *Dutch Manuscripts.*

[3] Johannes Van Eeckelen was a school master in Flatbush in 1691.— *English Manuscripts.*

promising to hold good all that the attorney in the constituent's name shall do, on a pledge of his person and estate, movable and immovable.

Done in Fort Orange the 18th of April, A. D. 1657, in presence of Johannes Provoost and Thomas Poulus.

This is the mark of H HANS COENRADTS.

Johannes Provoost, witness.
Thomas Powall.[1]

Acknowledged before me,

LA MONTAGNE, Deputy at Fort Orange.

Appeared before me Johannes La Montagne, in the service of the General Privileged West India Company, etc., Albert Gerritsen [Lansing?], who declared that he had appointed, as by these presents he does appoint, the Honorable Symon Janssen, dwelling at Amsterdam in New Netherland, in the constituent's name and for his behalf, to sell and convey a certain lot lying in the city of Amsterdam in New Netherland, next the house of Adrian Vincent; length and breadth as the patent of the same, of date the first of June, A. D. 1644, and as the conveyance afterwards made, mention; promising to hold good all that the attorney [Janssen] shall do in this matter on pledge of his person and estate, movable and immovable, present and future.

Done in Fort Orange the 18th of April, A. D. 1657, in presence of Jan Cloet and Johannes Provoost, witnesses for that purpose called.

ALBERT GERRETSEN.

Johannes Clute.
Johannes Provoost, witness.

Acknowledged before me,

JOHANNES LA MONTAGNE, Deputy of Fort Orange.

Appeared before me Johannes La Montagne, deputy, etc., Hans Vos,[2] dwelling at Catskil, who in the presence of Rutger Jacobsen and Philip Pieterse [Schuyler], commissaries of the same jurisdiction, acknowledges himself to be honestly indebted to Pieter Bronck, Direk Bensick and Philip Hendrickse Boeckhout, in the sum of three hundred guilders, which sum he promises to pay, within the time of one year from this date, on a pledge of his person and estate, movable and immovable.

Done in Fort Orange the 28th of April, 1657, in presence of Albert Janssen[3] and Johannes Provoost.

This is the mark of A HANS VOS, signed by himself.

This is the mark of + Albert Janssen.
Johannes Provoost, witness.

Acknowledged before me,

LA MONTAGNE, Deputy at Fort Orange.

Terms and conditions on which William Frederickse Bout, and Jan Carstensen[4] propose to sell their yacht, at public sale, as it at present lies

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[1] Thomas Powall, with others, petitioned in 1664 for permission to buy a parcel of land between Kinderhook and Neutenhook.— *Dutch Manuscripts.*

[2] Hans Vos Van Baden came to Beverwyck in 1642, whence he removed to Catskil. In 1658 he and his wife were committed to prison, probably for selling liquor to the Indians. In 1661 he was appointed deputy sheriff.— *Dutch Manuscripts.*

[3] Albert Jansen Ryckman Van Amsterdam came to Beverwyck in 1642.

[4] Jan Carstense contracted to serve Remmert Jansen as a blacksmith in 1643.—*Dutch Manuscripts.*

in the roadstead, with all her appurtenances according to the inventory thereof. *First.*—The aforesaid yacht shall be delivered to the buyer with all her appurtenances. Delivery shall be given immediately. Payment shall be one half in good whole merchantable beavers, and the other half in good current sewant, in two payments, the first on the 23d of July next coming [and] the second, one year thereafter, on the 23d of July, A. D. 1658. The buyer shall be holden to furnish two sufficient sureties, and that immediately, to the content of the seller. If the buyer can furnish no sufficient sureties in said time, then it shall again be sold at his cost and charge, and whatever less it shall become worth he shall be holden to replace, and if it come to be worth more, then he shall enjoy no profit therefrom. The auction fees become a charge on the buyer. After much bidding, Dirck Bensick remained the buyer for the sum of one thousand nine hundred and seventy-one guilders, according to the conditions; for which sum Claas Hendrickse [Van Schoonhoven] stood surety as principal, on a pledge of his person and estate.

Done in the village of Beverwyck the 23d of May, A. D. 1657, in presence of Lowies Cobussen and Johannes Provoost. Was subscribed,

This is the mark of +]+ Dirck Bensick.

As surety, Claas Hendrickse.

Lowies Cobussen, as witness.
Johannes Provoost, as witness.

Acknowledged before me,

La Montagne, Deputy at Fort Orange.

Appeared before me Johannes La Montagne, etc., in the presence of Jacob [Janse] Schermerhooren and Philip Pieterse [Schuyler] commissaries; Jochem Wessels Backer,[1] burgess and citizen of the village of Beverwyck, who declared that he had granted and conveyed, as he by these presents does grant and convey, in real and actual possession, for the behoof of Wouter Albertsen [Vanden Uythoff], his heirs or assigns (*die reght van hem hebben sullen*); his house and lot lying in the village of Beverwyck, bounded southerly by the kil, northerly by the alley, easterly along the river side, westerly by the new house of Jochem Wessels, for the sum of nineteen hundred and fifty guilders in beavers, and that in two terms; the first payment, the half, to be paid in June, next coming, 1657, and the second shall be made in July, A. D. 1658; which house and lot the aforesaid Jochem Wessels promises to free from all actions and claims, on a pledge of his person and estate, movable and immovable, present and future, submitting the same to all laws and judges.

Done in Fort Orange this 30th of May, A. D. 1657.

Jochem [Wesselse] Backer.

Philip Pietersen [Schuyler].
Jacob Janse Schermerhooren.

Acknowledged before me,

La Montagne, Deputy at Fort Orange.

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[1] Jochem Wessels Backer in 1670 had a lot "upon ye hill, there next above Capt. Philip Pieterse Schuylers," which his widow, Geertruy Hieronimus, sold to Bay Croesvelt, 26th March, 1683, then described as a house and lot "about ye church." Jan Casparse was only son and heir of said Geertruy.

Appeared before me Johannes La Montagne, etc., in the presence of the Honorable Jacob [Janse] Schermerhooren and Adrian Gerritse [Papendorp], commissaries of the same jurisdiction, Claas Hendericksе [Van Schoonhoven], burgess and citizen here, who declared that he had granted and conveyed, as by these presents he does grant and convey, in real and actual possession, to the behoof of Jan Tomassen [Mingael], commissary and burgess of the village of Beverwyck, his heirs or assigns, his house and lot lying in Beverwyck on the hill, with a garden thereto belonging, according to the patent granted by the honorable director general and council of New Netherland, to Philip Pieterse Schuyler, of date 16 June, 1656, signed Petrus Stuyvesant, and lower down by ordinance of the honorable director general of New Netherland, stood C. V. Ruyven, secretary, and in exemplification, of date the 7th October, 1656, signed Petrus Stuyvesant; of which patent the aforesaid Claas Hendericksе received a conveyance, from the aforesaid Philip Pieterse Schuyler the 4th of July, 1656, signed Jan De Decker,[1] and again ratified on the back of the said patent, written the 29th November, A. D. 1656, signed La Montagne, vice director and deputy; for which house and lot

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[1] Jan de Decker, for several years a notary public at Schiedam, having connections in the Amsterdam chamber, and being a young man of sound judgment and high character, was sent out by the company to New Netherland, in November, 1651; he arrived April, 1655, as supercargo of the ship Black Eagle, with instructions to receive the first vacant office. These recommendations having been renewed in the spring, he was accordingly commissioned vice director of Fort Orange. In the following May, orders were sent to appoint him receiver general and member of the council, but his private affairs calling him home, he returned to Holland, December, 1656, where he married the daughter of Jacob van Belcamp. With her he returned to New Netherland, May, 1657, as receiver-general and member of the council, at a salary of 78 gl. per month, and 200 gl. for board. In April, 1662, his father-in-law applied, at his daughter's request, for Mr. De Decker's discharge from the company's service. This caused his employers much regret, who expressed a hope that he would be prevailed on to remain in this country. He was afterwards employed, in 1663, in visiting the Esopus as member of the council, and attending to the interests of that settlement; after which, he was sent to Virginia to reclaim the company's ship, The Arms of Amsterdam, which an English privateer had captured on her voyage from Guinea with a cargo of slaves, and carried into the Chesapeake.* He remained there half a year, but returned to New Netherland without accomplishing the object of his mission, having quarrelled, it is said, with the authorities of that place. Some misunderstanding occurred between him and Stuyvesant, to whom he wrote, in July, what the latter considered an "ignominious and insufferably harsh letter, filled with false accusations and calumnies." The approach of the English left no time to the parties to follow up the quarrel. The country surrendered to Nicolls. Mr. De Decker, being one of the Dutch commissioners, signed the treaty of capitulation, 7th September, 1664, at the close of which month he was banished, for reasons set forth in the following order: "Whereas the Heer John de Decker, late of the councill for the Dutch West India Company in New Yorke, did (contrary to the 14th Art. of Surrender) actually travaile from hence and traflicke with powder and negroes unto fort Albany and other places upon Hudson river, without requesting or having a certificate from mee, or liberty so to doe; and being fully informed that then and there he did endeavor by discourses to alienate the mindes of H. M. Dutch subjects from that happy reconcilement without bloodshed, uppon articles so lately made, and that he did committ these misdemeanors before that fort Albany was surrendered unto his majesty's obedience, the consequences whereof are contrary to the peace of this government; I have, therefore, thought fitt to order and appoint, and doe by these presents order and appoint, that the said John de Decker shall within the space of ten days transport himselfe out of this government. Given under my hand and seale the 30th day of September, 1664, at fort James, &c. R. Nicolls." On the 8th of October he received permission to sail with eight negroes for any of the French plantations of Martinico, Guadaloupe, or St. Christopher's, and from thence to Holland. There was due to him at this period 7,350 gl. from the West India Company, and he had besides some land on Staten island. He complained to the Duke of York, and obtained a reference on his petition to Gov. Lovelace, with which he arrived in New York in January, 1671. He succeeded in obtaining a grant for 120 acres of land on Staten island, "though according to the strictness of the laws and customs of the country his right thereunto is lapsed." He was bound to settle this land within a year. For the arrears of salary which he claimed, he was referred to the West India Company. It is presumed that he remained in this country, where many of his descendants are still to be found, who have given the name of Deckerville to a settlement in northern New Jersey. The whole of his official correspondence whilst vice director of Fort Orange, is still among the Dutch Records in the county clerk's office, Albany. The reference of the Duke of York is in the Register of Wills, surrogate's office, New York.—*O'Callaghan's History of New Netherland*, ii, 301.

*[An account of this voyage has been published under the title of *Voyage of the Dutch Slavers, St. John and Arms of Amsterdam*, 1659–65, with Appendix of Additional Papers relating to the Slave Trade under the Dutch; translated from the original Dutch Manuscripts, with Introduction, by E. B. O'Callaghan. *J. Munsell, Albany*, 1867, 8vo, pp. xxxvi, 232.]

the above mentioned Jan Tomassen grants and conveys to the above mentioned Claas Hendrickse, for him, his heirs or assigns a lot, to the north bounding on Andries Herbertsen, on the south the common highway, on the east and west a common road, in length ten rods and in breadth six and a half rods, and in addition to the same a garden bounding on the south side on Henderick Janssen Westercamp,[1] east, west and north on a common path in length six rods ten feet, in breadth six rods and one foot, according to the patent, granted to the aforesaid Jan Tomassen, by the director general and council of New Netherland of date 23d April, A. D. 1652; the respective parties each for himself promising to free said lots from all actions and claims, renouncing all rights and customs contrary to their sincere intentions, on a pledge of their persons and estates, movable and immovable, present and future, the same submitting to all laws and judges.

Done in Fort Orange the last day of May, A. D. 1657.

JAN TOMAS.
CLAAS HENDRYCKSEN.

Jacob Jansen Schermerhooren.
Adrian Gerritsen [*Papendorp*].

Acknowledged before me,

LA MONTAGNE, Deputy in Fort Orange.

Appeared before me Johannes La Montagne, etc., and in presence of Jacob Schermerhooren and Adrian Gerritsen [Papendorp] commissaries of said jurisdiction, the Honorable Rutger Jacobsen [Van Schoenderwoert], burgess and citizen of the village of Beverwyck, who declared that he had granted and transferred, as by these presents, he does grant and transfer, in real and actual possession, to the behoof of Claas Henderickse [Van Schoonhoven], a lot to the west of his house, where he at present dwells, in breadth on the road thirty feet, in the rear, or on the south, twenty-seven feet in breadth, length on both sides sixty-two feet, which lot is a part of what was granted him by patent of the director general and council of New Netherland, of date 23d of April, A. D. 1653, for which lot the afore mentioned Rutger Jacobsen acknowledges that he has received the sum of five hundred and six guilders to his satisfaction; promising to free said lot from all actions, claims or demands, which may be against said lot, on pledge of his person and estate, movable and immovable, present and future, submitting the same to all laws and judges.

Done in Fort Orange, last day of May, A. D. 1657.

RUTGER JACOBSEN.

Jacob janse Schermerhooren.
Adrian Gerritsen [*Papendorp*].

Acknowledged before me,

LA MONTAGNE, Deputy at Fort Orange.

Appeared before me Johannes La Montagne, etc., and in the presence of Honorable Abraham Staets[2] and Jan Tomassen [Mingael] commissaries

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[1] Hendrick Jansen Westercamp was in Beverwyck in 1645, having come there from New Amsterdam.

[2] Major Abraham Staets (written *Staes* by himself) was a surgeon and settled in Rensselaerswyck in 1642. He had sons Jacob "Chirurgeon," his eldest son, Abraham and probably Samuel. He was deceased in 1701.

of this jurisdiction, Claas Henderickse [Van Schoonhoven] burgess and citizen of the aforesaid village, who declared that he had granted and conveyed, as he by these presents, does grant and convey, in real and actual possession, to the behoof of Jan Vinhagel and Barent Reyndersen [Smit], also burgesses and citizens of the afore written village, their heirs or assigns, his lot lying to the west of the house of Rutger Jacobsen, in breadth on the road thirty feet, on the rear or south side seven and twenty feet in breadth, length on both sides sixty-two feet, which lot is a part of what was granted to the aforesaid Rutger Jacobsen by patent of the director general and council of New Netherland, of date 23d of April 1653, for which lot the aforesaid Vinhagel[1] and Barent Reyndersen promise to pay five hundred and twenty-five guilders, in good whole merchantable beavers; to pay half in August, A. D. 1657; promising said lot to free from all actions or demands, which may be against said lot, under a pledge of their persons and estates, movable and immovable, present and future, and submitting the same to all laws and judges.

Done in Fort Orange the 2d of June, A. D. 1657.

CLAAS HENDRYCKSEN.

Abram Staes.
Jan Tomas.

Acknowledged before me,

LA MONTAGNE, Deputy at Fort Orange.

On this the 28th of July, A. D. 1657, Claes Hendricksen declared before me Johannes La Montagne, deputy at Fort Orange and village of Beverwyck, that he is honestly and truly paid the sum above mentioned.

Done in Fort Orange *ut supra.*

CLAAS HENDRYCKSE.

Acknowledged before me,

LA MONTAGNE, Deputy at Fort Orange.

Terms and conditions on which Jan Van Hoesen proposes to sell his house on the hill, with all that is fast in earth and nailed and ready to dwell in, with a lot belonging to the same, according to the patent thereof. *First.*—There shall be delivered to the buyer, the house a plank and a half long, and in breadth nineteen feet, with a hall (*uytloaedinge*) of five feet broad leading through it, with a cellar, chamber, a garret, and a lot ten rods[2] in length, and four rods in breadth. Delivery shall be made the 20th of this month of June. The payment shall be made in good whole merchantable beavers in two terms, the first on delivery, the second on the first day of October of the current year 1657.

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Appeared before me Johannes La Montagne, etc., and in the presence of Honorable Abraham Staets and Adrian Gerritsen [Papendorp], commissaries of this jurisdiction, Caspar Jacobsen [Halenbeek],[3] who declared

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[1] Jan Vinhaegen, Sen., born in 1633, was living in Albany in 1708. His son (?) Johannes married Maria Van Fright 21st March, 1706, and had a family of 7 children.

[2] Rhynland rods of 12 Rhynland feet each.

[3] Casper Jacobse Hallenbeek was the first of the name who settled in Beverwyck. He had two sons, Isaac and Jan, who had large families.

that he had granted and conveyed, as by these presents he does grant and convey, in real and actual possession, to the behoof of Harmen Jacobsen [Bambus], his house, earth and nail fast, and lot and garden, whole length sixteen rods, and breadth four rods and four feet, according to the patent thereof, for the sum of eight hundred and ten guilders to be paid in good whole merchantable beavers, in two terms; the first on delivery and the second payment on the 8th of May in the next coming year, 1658; for which payment the buyer has furnished two sureties to the content of the seller, to wit, Adrian Van Ilpendam and Abraham Vosburgh,[1] on pledge respectively of their persons and estates, movable and immovable, submitting the same to all laws and judges.

Done in Fort Orange this 5th of June, A. D. 1657.

This is the mark of K Y Caspar Jacobse.

Abram Staes.
Adrian Gerritsen.

Acknowledged before me,

La Montagne, Deputy at Fort Orange.

Terms and conditions on which Jan Roeloffsen [De Goyer] proposes to sell his house lying on the hill, with the lot, according to the patent thereof. *First.*—There shall be delivered to the buyer, the house, fast in earth and nailed, with the lot thereof, seven rods and five feet broad; to the west, and along the hill four rods and eleven feet; to the north on Marcelis [Janse?] 17 rods in length, all according to the patent thereof.

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[This paper was not executed, the sale not taking place].

Terms and conditions on which Jan Roeloffse [De Goyer] proposes to sell a lot lying to the north of his house, according to the patent. *First.*—There shall be delivered to the buyer, the lot one rod and eleven feet broad on the east, to the west two and a half rods, and five rods long.

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Terms and conditions on which Jan Roeloffse [De Goyer] proposes to sell a lot lying to the north of his lot. *First.*—There shall be delivered to the buyer, the lot two rods and a half broad on the east, to the west three rods wide, and in length on the road five rods, according to the patent.

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Terms and conditions on which Reyer Elbertsen proposes to sell his house and lot, except the brick oven, with the bricks [*steenen*], lying in the village of Beverwyck. *First.*—There shall be delivered to the buyer the house, and all the fixtures, with the lot four rods wide and twenty rods long, according to the patent.

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[1] Abraham Vosburgh, perhaps son of Pieter Jacobse Vosburgh, deceased in 1674.

Appeared before me Johannes La Montagne, in the service of the General Priviledged West India Company, etc., and in the presence of Honorable Jacob Schemerhooren and Abraham Staets, commissaries of the same jurisdiction, the Honorable Jan Tomassen [Mingal] burgess and citizen of the aforesaid village, who declared that he had granted and conveyed, as by these presents he does grant and convey, in real and actual possession, for the behoof of Claas Hendericksen [Van Schoonhoven], also burgess and citizen of the afore mentioned village, his heirs or assigns, a house and lot bounded on the north by Andries Herbertsen, on the south by a common highway, on the west and east by a common road; in length four rods, and in breadth six and a half rods, with a garden bounding on the south side on Henderick Janssen Westercamp, on the east, west and north on a common path, in length six rods and ten feet, and in breadth six rods and one foot, according to the patent to him, the grantor, given by the honorable director general and council of New Netherland, of date 23d of April, A. D. 1650, for which lot and garden the grantor acknowledges that he has had satisfaction, and payment of said Claes Hendericksc, acquitting him of the same; and promising to free said lot and garden from all actions and claims on pledge of his person and estate, movable and immovable, and the same submitting to all laws and judges.

Done in Fort Orange the 23d of June, A. D. 1657.

JAN TOMASSE.

Jacob Jansen Schermerhooren.
Abram Staes.

Acknowledged before me,

LA MONTAGNE, Deputy at Fort Orange.

Appeared before me Johannes La Montagne, in the service of the General Privileged West India Company, etc., and in presence of the Honorable Jacob Schermerhooren and Abraham Staets, commissaries of the same jurisdiction, Claas Hendricksen [Van Schoonhoven], who declared that he had granted and conveyed, as by these presents he does grant and convey, in real and actual possession, to the behoof of Harmen Bastianse [Visscher],[1] his heirs or assigns, a garden bounded on the south side by Henderick Janssen Westercamp, east, west and north by a common path, in length six rods ten feet, and in breadth six rods and one foot; which garden is a part of the patent of Jan Tomassen, to him granted by the honorable director general and council of New Netherland, of date 23d of April, 1650; for the number of seventeen whole merchantable beavers, to be paid in the month of June, A. D. 1657, the grantor promising to free the aforesaid garden from all actions, demands and claims, on pledge of his person and estate, movable, present and future, and submitting the same to all laws and judges.

Done in Fort Orange the 25th of June, A. D. 1657.

CLAES HENDRYCKSE.

Jacob Jansen Schermerhooren.
Abraham Staes.

Acknowledged before me,

LA MONTAGNE, Deputy at Fort Orange.

[1] Harmen Bastianse Visscher (or De Vyscher) was in New Amsterdam, as early as 1649. In 1644 he was aged twenty-five years, and was deceased in 1693. In 1675 his father lived in Hoorn,

Appeared before me Johannes La Montagne, etc., Tjerck Claessen [De Witt],[1] who declared that he had conveyed, as by these presents he does convey, to Carsten Claessen[2] and Jan Barensen [Wemp] the sum of one hundred and eighty guilders, to be paid in whole merchantable beavers, growing out of the sale of a stallion, at public sale, of which Jan Roeloffse remained the last bidder, for the aforementioned sum; which stallion was delivered to his content, renouncing all demands that he, the grantor, upon the aforementioned sum may claim; appointing by these presents, the said Carsten Claessen and Jan Barentsen[3] the payment of said sum to demand, and the same in case of refusal by court to prosecute.

Done in Fort Orange the 25th of June, A. D. 1657, in presence of Dirck Bensick and Johannes Provoost.

TJERCK CLAESSEN.

This is the mark of +]+ *Dirck Bensick, witness.*

Johannes Provoost, witness.

LA MONTAGNE, Deputy at Fort Orange.

Conditions and terms on which Adrian Blomert[4] proposes to sell his house and lot lying in Manhatans, next the City Hall, according to the patent thereof. *First.*— There shall be delivered to the buyer, the house and all its fixtures with the lot, in breadth on the street forty-seven feet, and in the rear forty feet. Delivery of the house shall be made on the last day of September of this year, 1657; but the seller shall retain the use of the rear house and little cellar, until the first of May, A. D. 1658, with the garden. Payment shall be made in three installments; the first on delivery of the house, the second on the first of May, A. D. 1658, and the third on the first of September, A. D. 1658; the first installment, in whole good merchantable beavers, the second in good current seewant, and the last also in good whole merchantable beavers. The buyer shall be holden to furnish two sufficient sureties as principals, jointly and severally (*een voor al en elck*), to the content of the seller, and that in the space of four and twenty hours. If the buyer can not furnish sufficient sureties in the aforesaid time, then it shall be again sold at his cost and charge, and whatever less it shall become worth he shall be holden to replace, and he shall receive no benefit from whatever more it comes to be worth. The auction fees become a charge upon the buyer. After much bidding Rem Janssen Smit[5] remained the last bidder, for the sum of four thousand and twenty guilders, according to the aforesaid

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Holland. His wife was Hester Tjerkse. They had five sons, viz: Johannes, Bastian, Nanning, Frederick and Tjerk. From these have sprung the various families of the name in this vicinity. Many changes have been made in the spelling of the name.

[1] Tjerk Claessen De Witt was a resident of Esopus.— *English Manuscripts.*

[2] Carsten Claessen Timmerman (*carpenter*), in 1658.

[3] Jan Barentsen Wemp (or Wemple) arrived in Beverwyck in 1641, where he remained until his death in 1663. He was one of the proprietors of Schenectady. After his death, his widow, Marytie Mynderse, married, in 1664, Sweer Teunis Van Velsen of Schenectady, and in the massacre of February 9, 1690, was slain together with her husband. Her children by Wemp, three sons and three daughters, inherited the property (which was considerable) of both father and stepfather. The families of the name, settled on the Mohawk and vicinity, claim Jan Barentse as their common ancestor.

[4] Adriaen Bloemmert came to New Netherland in 1641, in the ship Prince Mauritz, and was engaged in business at New Amsterdam for many years.— *Dutch Manuscripts.*

[5] Rem Janssen Smit's name often occurs in the records as a considerable dealer in real estate. No descendants of his appear in the church or city records.

conditions; for which sum Abraham Isaacksen Verplanck[1] and Henderick Williamsen Backer stood his sureties, each as principal, on pledge of their persons and estate.

Done in the the village of Beverwyck, the 5th of July, 1657, in presence of Lowies Cobussen and Johannes Provoost.

REM JANSSEN.
ABRAHAM VERPLANCK.
HINRIK WILLEMSEN BACKKER.[2]

Ludovicus Cobus, tipstaff.
Johannes Provoost, as witness.

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Acknowledged before me,

LA MONTAGNE, Deputy at Fort Orange.

Appeared before me Johannes La Montagne, etc., in the presence of the Honorable Jacob Schermerhooren and Philip Pieterse [Schuyler], commissaries; the Honorable Rutger Jacobsen [Van Schoenderwoert], who declared that he had granted and conveyed, as by these presents he does grant and convey, in real and actual possession, to the behoof of Frans Barentsen Pastoor, a garden lying in the village of Beverwyck, next the Heer Renselaer, on the river side, in length westerly on the road eight rods and seven feet, length on the river side eight rods and one foot; breadth on the north on the lot of Goosen Gerritse [Van Schaick] six rods; and breadth on the south side three and a half rods; which lot the aforementioned Frans Barentsen at public sale bought on the 29 January, A. D. 1657; and that for the sum of two hundred six and eighty guilders, which sum the aforementioned Rutger Jacobsen acknowledges to be paid, and for the same the said Frans Barentsen gives, etc., quittance; promising said lot to free from all claims and demands, on pledge of his person and estate, movable and immovable, present and future, submitting the same to all courts and judges.

Done in Fort Orange the 6th of July, A. D. 1657.

RUTGER JACOBSEN.

Jacob Janse Schermerhooren.
Philip Pietersen [Schuyler].

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Acknowledged before me,

LA MONTAGNE, Deputy at Fort Orange.

Appeared before me, J. La Montagne, etc., the Honorable Frans Barentsen Pastoor, who, in presence of Jacob Schermerhooren and Philip Pieterse [Schuyler], commissaries of the same jurisdiction, declared that he had granted and conveyed, as by these presents, he does grant and convey, to Christoffel Davids,[3] citizen of the village of Beverwyck, a certain garden lying in the aforesaid village, next the Heer

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[1] Abraham Isaacse Verplanck. See *Valentine's Manual*, 1863; and *O'Callaghan's History of New Netherland*, I. 185.

[2] Hendrik Willemse Bakker was a baker of New Amsterdam; in 1658 he made a contract to bake for the government.— *Dutch Manuscripts.*

[3] Christoffel Davidts was a native of England. In 1650, he lived on a farm at Dominie's hoek, now called Van Wie's point; 25th September, 1656, he received a patent for thirty-six morgens of land at Esopus about a Dutch mile inland from the North river, and having been driven from it by the Indians he asks permission in 1663, to reenter upon it. He married Cornelia De Vos, daughter of Andries De Vos. They had at least one son, David, who, with his family, was killed by the French and Indians, Feb. 9, 1690, in Schenectady. Cornelia De Vos was deceased in 1657.— *O'Callaghan's History of New Netherland; Deeds*, I; and *Dutch Manuscripts.*

Rencelaer's, on the river side, in length westerly on the road eight rods and seven feet, along the river side eight rods and one foot, breadth northerly on the lot of Goosen Gerritse [Van Schaick] six rods, and breadth on the south side three and a half rods; which lot the aforesaid Christoffel Davids, at public sale, bought of the aforementioned Frans Barentse on the 26 February, A. D. 1657, for the sum of three hundred and thirty guilders, with the expenses, which sum the said Frans Barentsen acknowledges to be paid; promising the same lot to free from all claims or demands, on pledge of his person and estate, movable and immovable, present and future.

Done in Fort Orange the 6th of July, 1657.

FRANS BARENTSEN PASTOOR.

Jacob Janse Schermerhooren.
Philip Pieterse [*Schuyler*].

Acknowledged before me,

LA MONTAGNE, Deputy at Fort Orange.

Appeared before me Johannes La Montagne, etc., and in the presence of the Honorable Jacob Schermerhooren and Philip Pieterse [Schuyler], commissaries, the Honorable Andries Herbertsen [Constapel Vander Blaes], who declared that he had granted and conveyed, as by these presents he does grant and convey, in real and actual possession, to the behoof of Leendert Philipsen [Conyn],[1] his heirs or assigns, a house and lot lying in the village of Beverwyck, bounded to the south by Jan Tomassen [Mingal], to the north by Pieter Bronck, to the east by the river side, to the west by the common road, length nine rods, and breadth six and thirty wood feet; which lot is a part of the whole lot which was granted to him, the grantor, by patent of the director general and council of New Netherland, given of date, 23d of April, A. D. 1652, for which house and lot the grantor acknowledges to have received nine hundred guilders to his satisfaction; and promises the same lot to free from all claims or demands which may be upon the same, on pledge of his person and estate, movable and immovable, present and future, and submitting the same to all laws and judges.

Done in Fort Orange the 10th July, A. D. 1657.

ANDRIES HERBERTS.

Jacob Janse Schermerhooren.
Philip Pietersen [*Schuyler*].

Acknowledged before me,

LA MONTAGNE.

Appeared before me Johannes La Montagne, in the service, etc., in the presence of the Honorable Abraham Staets and Jan Tomassen [Mingael], commissaries, etc., the Honorable Andries Herbertsen, who declared that he had granted and conveyed, as by these presents he does grant and convey, in real and actual possession, to the behoof of Leendert Philipse [Conyn], his heirs or assigns, a house lot and garden, which is a part of the whole lot, to the grantor, conveyed by the honorable director general and council of New Netherland, of date 23d of April, A. D. 1652, the re-

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[1] Leendert Philipse Conyn had two sons, Philip and Caspar (and perhaps Jacob), who settled in Coxsackie and Claverac. He died in 1701.

mainder of the same being as large as it stands within the fence, for the sum of eighteen hundred guilders, to be paid in whole merchantable beavers, in two installments, to wit, the first in cash down, and the other half within one year after the date of these presents, and with the last payment the grantor shall deliver to the buyer the patent; all this on pledge of their persons and estate, movable and immovable, submitting the same to all laws and judges.

Done in Fort Orange the 10th of July, A. D. 1657.

ANDRIES HERBERTS.
LEENDERT PHILIPSE [CONYN].

Abram Staes.
Jan Tomas.

Acknowledged before me,

LA MONTAGNE, Deputy at Fort Orange.

Appeared before me Johannes La Montagne, in the service, etc., in the presence of Honorable Jan Tomassen [Mingael] and Adrian Gerritse [Papendorp], commissaries, etc., the Honorable Jurriaen Teunisse [Glazemaecker], burgess and citizen of said village, who declared that he had granted and conveyed, as he, by these presents, does grant and convey in real and actual possession, to the behoof of the Honorable Andries Herbertsen, also burgess and citizen of the aforesaid village of Beverwyck; a house and lot lying in the village of Beverwyck; length and breadth ten rods, which is part of the whole lot conveyed to him, the grantor, by patent from the director general and council of New Netherland, of date 25th of October, A. D. 1653, for the sum of one thousand five hundred and ten guilders, to be paid according to these conditions, to wit, in two terms; the first installment on the first of July, A. D. 1657, in good whole merchantable beavers; the grantor promising to free said lot from all claims or demands, on pledge of his person and estate, movable and immovable, submitting the same to all laws and judges.

Done in Fort Orange the 12th July, 1657.

JUREYAN TUNISSEN.[1]
ANDRIES HERBERTS.

Andriaen Gerrietsen [*Papendorp*].
Jan Tomas [*Mingael*].

Acknowledged before me,

LA MONTAGNE, Deputy at Fort Orange.

Appeared before me Johannes La Montagne, in the service, etc., in the presence of Honorable Abraham Staets and Adriaen Gerritsen [Papendorp] commissaries, etc., the Honorable Andries Herbertsen, citizen of the village of Beverwyck, who declared that he had granted and conveyed, as by these presents he does grant and convey, in real and actual possession, to the behoof of William Janssen Schut, also burgess and citizen of the aforesaid village, a lot, next to his lot, which he, by deed of 22d of

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[1] Juriaen Teunise Glasemaecker was an innkeeper. In 1658, Isaac De Forest brought an action against him for sixty guilders, being half of his wife's passage money from Holland. In 1660, he was complained of for beating some of the magistrates at Mrs. Dyckman's house, and for abusing the worshipful court: he pleaded intoxication, and was fined thirty guilders. He was again arraigned with Marcellus Janse, also a tavern-keeper, for entertaining persons at night after the ringing of the bell, and each was fined seventy guilders.—*Dutch Manuscripts.*

August, A. D. 1654, received from Frans Boon[1] husband of Lysbet Cornelise, late widow of Gysbert Cornelissen Van Wesep,[2] according to the patent to the aforementioned Gysbert Cornelissen Van Wesep, granted by the director general and council of New Netherland, of date 25th of October, 1653, which portion was to him, the grantor, given by the Heer director general and the court on the 6th of October, A. D. 1657, per order, which lot is in length on the north along the road ten rods and one foot, to the east a road breadth three rods, to the west the hill one rod, for which lot the aforesaid William Janssen Schut shall pay in cash, the sum of two hundred guilders, amounting to the number of five and twenty beavers; which lot the grantor promises to free from all actions and demands, on pledge of his person and estate, movable and immovable, submitting the same to all laws and judges.

Done in Fort Orange the 17th of July, A. D. 1657.

ANDRIES HERBERTS.

Abram Staes.
Adrian Gerritsen [*Papendorp*].

Acknowledged before me,

LA MONTAGNE, Deputy at Fort Orange.

Appeared before me Johannes La Montagne, etc., in the presence of Honorable Jacob Schermerhooren and Philip Pietersen [Schuyler], commissaries, etc., the Honorable Jan Verbeeck, burgess and citizen of the village of Beverwyck, who declared that he had granted and conveyed, as by these presents he does grant and convey, in actual and real possession, to the behoof of Honorable Heer Johan Baptista Van Rensselaer, director of the colony of Rensselaerswyck; his lot lying in the village of Beverwyck, according to the patent thereof, of date..... for the sum of eighteen hundred and twelve guilders, of which sum the aforesaid Heer Rensselaer has already paid to the grantor twelve hundred and eight guilders, to the content of the same grantor, and six hundred and four guilders, the said Heer promises to pay, the half in merchantable beavers and the other half in current seewant, on the first day of May, A. D. 1658, on pledge of his person and estate, personal and real; which house and lot the grantor promises to free from all actions, claims or demands, on pledge of his person and estate, personal and real, submitting the same to all laws and judges.

Done in Fort Orange the 18th of July, 1657.

JAN VERBEECK.

Jacob Jansen Schermerhooren.
Philip Pietersen Schuyler.

Acknowledged before me,

LA MONTAGNE, Deputy at Fort Orange.

Appeared before me Johannes La Montagne, etc., in the presence of Honorable Jan Tomassen [Mingael] and Adrian Gerritsen [Papendorp],

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[1] Francis Boon was a French Indian trader who married Lysbet Cornelise Van Voorhoudt, it is said against her parents' wishes. He subsequently removed to New Amsterdam, where he acquired wealth, and removed from thence to the West Indies.— *Valentine's Manual*, 1855, p. 517.

[2] Gysbert Cornelise Van Wesep, also called Aen de Berg, and op de Berg, because he lived on the Hooge Berg at the lower end of Papsknee, came to Beverwyck in 1615. His widow, Lysbet Cornelise Van Voorhoudt married Frans Boon, a French trader, before the year 1657.— *O'Callaghan's History of New Netherland*, 1, 411.

commissaries, etc., the Honorable Abraham Staets, commissary and citizen of the aforesaid village, who declared that he had granted and conveyed, as by these presents he does grant and convey, in real and actual possession, to the behoof of the Honorable Johannes Van Twillert,[1] his heirs or assigns, a house lying in Fort Orange, on the east side of the aforesaid fort, in length four and forty feet, and in breadth twenty feet, with a garden behind the aforesaid fort, according to the patent thereof, of date 27th of April, 1649, for the sum of two thousand three hundred and twenty-five guilders, which sum the grantor acknowledges to have received to his content; promising the aforesaid house to free from all claims and demands, on pledge of his person and estate, movable and immovable, submitting the same to all laws and judges.

Done in Fort Orange the 18th of July, A. D. 1657.

ABRAM STAES.

Jan Tomas.
Adriaen Gerritsen.

Acknowledged before me,

LA MONTAGNE, Deputy at Fort Orange.

Terms and conditions on which Jacob Joosten [Van Covelens] proposes to sell his house and lot lying in the village of Beverwyck. *First.*—There shall be delivered to the buyer, the house, tight all around, with all that is fast in earth and nailed, with a new bedstead, and a cellar; of a plank long on each side, and a trap door in it; also a lot thirty wood feet long, and in the rear twenty-eight feet broad in the clear (*vry erff*). The delivery of the house shall be on the 21st of this month of July, A. D. 1657. The payment shall be within twelve days, and that in good whole merchantable beavers, to wit, the first installment on delivery, and the second on the first of May, A. D. 1658. The buyer shall be held to furnish two sufficient sureties and that immediately, to the content of the seller. If the buyer can not furnish sufficient sureties in the aforesaid time, then it shall be sold again at his cost and charge, and whatever less it comes to be worth, he shall be holden to pay, and whatever more it shall become worth, he shall enjoy no benefit therefrom. The auction fees become a charge on the buyer. After much bidding, Jan Dareth[2] remained the last bidder, for the sum of five hundred and seventy guilders, according to the aforesaid conditions; for which sum Rutger Jacobsen and Henderick Jochemsen[3] stood sureties as principals, jointly and severally, on pledge of their persons and estates.

Done in the village of Beverwyck, the 18th of July, 1657, in presence of Lowies Cobussen and Johannes Provoost.

JAN DARETH.
RUTGER JACOBSEN.
HENDRICK JOCHEMSE.

Ludovicus Cobes,
Johannes Provoost, witness.

Acknowledged before me,

LA MONTAGNE, Deputy at Fort Orange.

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[1] Johannes Van Twiller of Beverwyck, merchant, 1651.—*Dutch Manuscripts.*
[2] Another John Dret [Dareth] lived in Albany in 1736, but how related to the above is not known.
[3] Hendrik Jochemse was lieutenant of the burgher company.—*Dutch Manuscripts.*

Terms and conditions on which the trustees of the estate of Jacob Luyersen propose to sell the house of the late Jacob Luyersen, with the lot of the same lying next to Fort Orange, according to the patent thereof. *First.*— There shall be delivered to the buyer, the house with all the fixtures, and the lot, in length eight rods, in breadth in front on the road four rods and a half, in breadth on the west side three rods and five feet, all according to the patent thereof, except the garden stuff (*gaderen*) which is therein. Delivery of the house shall be on the 20th of August of this year, 1657. The payment shall be in two installments in good current seewant; the first installment shall be on delivery of the house, and the last on the first day of May, A. D. 1658. The buyer shall be held to furnish two sufficient sureties and that immediately, to the content of the seller. If the buyer can not furnish sufficient sureties in the aforesaid time, then it shall be sold again at his cost and charge, and whatever less it comes to be worth he shall be held to make good, and whatever more it becomes worth, he shall enjoy no benefit therefrom. The auction fees become a charge on the buyer. After much bidding, Henderick Janssen Van Wytert remained the last bidder, for the sum of eight hundred and thirteen guilders, according to the aforesaid conditions.

Done in Fort Orange the 18th of July, A. D. 1657, in presence of Lowies Cobussen and Johannes Provoost.

This is the mark H of Henderick Janssen Van Wytert.

Acknowledged before me,

La Montagne, Deputy at Fort Orange.

On this the 20th day of July, appeared William Frederickse [Bout] and Harmen Bastianse [Visscher], who, as sureties and principals, stood for the person of Henderick Janssen Van Wytert on pledge of their persons and estates, personal and real.

Done in Fort Orange, *ut supra.*

This is the mark of William Frederickse.

Harmen Bastiaense.

Acknowledged before me,

La Montagne, Deputy at Fort Orange.

Appeared before me Johannes La Montagne, deputy, etc., Arent Van Den Berch, who declared that he had appointed, as by these presents he does appoint and empower, Heer Robert Vasterick, merchant of Amsterdam, in the appointer's name and in his behalf, to claim and demand of the honorable directors of the General Privileged West India Company of the chamber of Amsterdam, the sum of six hundred and sixty-eight guilders and nine stuivers,[1] by the appointer earned for the aforesaid company in New Netherland, as his settlement shows, signed under the credit side by P. Stuyvesant and under the credit side of the same by Carel Van Brugge,[2] giving him power, one or more persons to substitute

[1] 20 stuivers make a guilder of 40 cents value.

[2] Carel Van Brugge was the keeper of the company's accounts in New Netherland, also provincial secretary.

[for himself] in case of need; promising to hold good all that the attorney [Vasterick] in this matter shall do, on pledge of his person and estate, movable, present and future.

Done in Fort Orange, the 19th of July, A. D. 1657, in presence of Evert Hedeman and Johannes Provoost.

This is the mark of ⋈ ARENT VANDEN BERCH.

Eberhardt Hedeman.

Johannes Provoost, witness.

Acknowledged before me,

LA MONTAGNE, Deputy at Fort Orange.

On this date the 20th of July, appeared Andries Vander Sluys,[1] who declared himself to be surety for the person of William Frederickse [Bout] in the action respecting the house, which Henderick Janssen Van Rytert,[2] bought of the trustees of the estate of Jacob Luyersen deceased, for so much as the half of the aforesaid house comes to, to wit, the sum of four hundred and six guilders and ten stuivers.

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Appeared before me Johannes La Montagne, etc., in the presence of Honorable Goosen Gerritse [Van Schaick] and Adrian Gerritse [Papendorp], commissaries, &c., Harmen Jacobsen [Bambus], who declared that he had granted and conveyed, as by these presents he does grant and convey, in real and actual possession, to the behoof of the Honorable Claas Hendericksen [Van Schoonhoven],[3] burgess and citizen of the aforesaid village, his heirs or assigns, a house, lot, and garden lying in the aforesaid village of Beverwyck, altogether 16 rods long and 4 rods and 4 feet in breadth, according to the patent thereof, for the sum of nine hundred guilders in whole merchantable beavers, of which sum the aforementioned Claas Hendericksen has already paid the half, and promises to pay the other half in the month of July in the coming year 1658; which aforesaid house, lot, and garden, the aforementioned Harmen Jacobson promises to free from all claims and demands, on pledge of his person and estate, personal and real, submitting the same to all laws and judges.

Done in Fort Orange the 21st of July, A. D. 1657.

HARMEN JACOBS.

CLAAS HENDRYCKSEN.

Adriaen Gerritsen,

This is the mark of H *Goosen Gerritsen.*

Conditions and terms on which Cornelis Cornelissen and Jan Witmondt propose to sell their brew house lying in the Greenbush, in the colony Rencelaerswyck. *First.*— The brew house shall be delivered to the buyer, with all that is fast in earth and nailed, with a well, and the tools;

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[1] Andries Vander Sluys lived at Esopus. In 1658, he wrote to Gov. Stuyvesant, requesting to be appointed *voorlezer* and schoolmaster.— *Dutch Manuscripts.*

[2] See Van Wytert.

[3] Claas Hendericksen Van Schoonhoven was brother of Guert Hendericksen Van Schoonhoven. He had considerable transactions in real estate as appears by his frequent conveyances. It is not known that he left any descendants.

a brew kettle, a work tub, a wort tub, with a cooler, an under trough, a handmill with four stones, thirty stout half barrels and six tubs (*vlooten*), two beer stillings, with two round tubs, (*ronde knypen*), a *neest* (?) that is upon it, a beer yoke, and a beer tankard, a new stable seventeen feet long and fifteen feet broad, which shall be delivered tight with a garden attached, except the garden stuff which is therein. Delivery shall be made on the first of November, A. D. 1657. Payment shall be made in three terms; the first on delivery, in good whole merchantable beavers, and the second installment on the first of March, A. D. 1658, in good current seewant, and the third installment on the first of November., A. D. 1658, in good whole merchantable beavers. The buyer shall be held to furnish two sufficient sureties, and that immediately, to the content of the seller. If the buyer can not furnish sufficient sureties, in the aforesaid time, then shall it be sold again at his cost and charge, and whatever less it shall become worth, he shall be holden to make good, and whatever more it shall become worth he shall enjoy no profit thereby. The auction fees become a charge on the buyer. After much bidding, William Brouwer remained the last bidder, for the sum of twelve hundred and seven guilders, according to the aforesaid conditions; for which sum Cornelis Wyncoop stood surety, as principal, for the payment of the aforesaid sum, on pledge of his person and estate, personal and real.

Done in village of Beverwyck the 19th of Sept., A. D. 1657, in presence of J. Provoost and Lowies Cobus.

WILLIAM BROUWER.[1]
CORNELIS WYNCKOOP.

Johannes Provoost, witness.
Ludovicus Cobes, witness.

Acknowledged before me,

LA MONTAGNE, Deputy at Fort Orange.

Terms and conditions on which Cornelis Cornelissen[2] proposes to sell his house lying in the village of Beverwyck. *First.*— The house as it is, with its fixtures, shall be delivered to the buyer, with a lot of nine rods in length and four rods in breadth, with a garden behind Fort Orange; in the house there shall be delivered a garret, with a double chimney. Delivery shall be on the 8th of August, A. D. 1657. The payment shall be in three terms: the first with the delivery, in good whole merchantable beavers, and the second installment on the 8th of February, A. D. 1658, in good current seewant, and the third installment on the 8th of July, A. D. 1658, in good whole merchantable beavers. The buyer shall be held to furnish two sufficient sureties, and that immediately, to the content of the seller. If the buyer can not furnish sufficient sureties in the aforesaid time, then it shall be sold again at his cost and charge, and whatever less it shall become worth, he shall be holden to make good, and whatever more it shall become worth, he shall enjoy no profit therefrom. The commissions shall be a charge to the buyer. After

[1] William Brouwer, the ancestor of the Schenectady Brouwers, was, perhaps, a brother of Philip Hendrikse Brouwer. He was buried in Albany, Aug. 3, 1668. In relation to his death the deacon's book under this date has this entry, "tot de begraevenisse van Willem Brouwer, 40 g. 15." After his death the brewery passed into the possession of Jan Ootholt.

[2] Of the many Cornelises it is difficult to say which this is; probably Cornelis Cornelissen De Vos.

much bidding, Daniel Rinckhout remained the last bidder, for the sum of seven hundred and twelve guilders, according to the aforesaid conditions, and Henderick Andriesse [Van Doesburgh] and Marcelis Janssen, stood as sureties and principals, on pledge of their persons and estates, personal and real.

Done in the village of Beverwyck, the 23d of July, A. D. 1657, in presence of Henderick Reur and Johannes Provoost.

DANIEL RINGHOUGT.
HENDRICK ANDRIESEN.
MARCELYS JANSSEN.

Hendrick Reur.
Johannes Provoost, witness.

Acknowledged before me,

LA MONTAGNE, Deputy at Fort Orange.

Conditions and terms on which Rem Janssen [Smit] proposes to sell his little house, where Gysbert Janssen [1] dwells, with the smith's house there, except the smith's tools. *First.*—The house with the smith's house and all its fixtures shall be delivered to the buyer, except the smith's tools, with the lot behind, as long as the lot of the large house, and as broad as the house, with the smith's house, and a bake oven therein. * * * * * *

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Conditions and terms on which Rem Janssen Smit proposes to sell his great house lying in the village of Beverwyck, with all its fixtures. *First.*—The house shall be delivered to the buyer, except the smith's bench and vise, with the lot as broad front and rear as the house is, and as long as the rear is fenced, with a free alley running through between both houses; and there shall be delivered a cow stable and a hogsty, and a bleaching field with a bake oven. Delivery shall be made the last of September. Payment shall be made in three terms; the first installment with the delivery, in good whole merchantable beavers; the second installment on the first of May, A. D. 1658, in good current seewant; and the third or last installment on the first of September, A. D. 1658, in good whole merchantable beavers. The buyer shall be holden to furnish two sufficient sureties, and that immediately, to the content of the seller. If the buyer can not furnish sufficient sureties in the aforesaid time, then it shall be offered for sale again at his cost and charge, and whatever less it shall become worth, he shall be held to make good, and whatever more it shall become worth, he shall enjoy no profit therefrom. The commissions become a charge to the buyer. After much bidding, Cornelis Teunisse remained the last bidder, for the sum of three thousand two hundred and twenty-five guilders, according to the above written conditions, and as security for the above mentioned sum, Rutger Jacobsen and Gerrit Bancker stood, on a pledge of their persons and estates, real and personal.

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[1] In 1660 Gysbert Janseff was brought before the court by the superintendent of the wells, and directed to pay his proportion of the cost of construction of a public well.—*Dutch Manuscripts.*

Done in Fort Orange the 23d of July, A. D. 1657, in presence of Hendrick Reur and Johannes Provoost.

CORNELUS THONISEN.
RUTGER JACOBSEN.
GERRIT BANCKER.[1]

Hendrick Reur.
Johannes Provoost, witness.

Acknowledged before me,

LA MONTAGNE, Deputy at Fort Orange.

I, Daniel Rinckhout, the subscriber, acknowledge that I have leased to Reinier Wisselpenninck, a house standing and lying in the village of Beverwyck, for the sum of one hundred guilders, half beavers and half seewant, from the middle (?) of August next in the year 1657, to the first of July, in the year 1658, to be paid as the rent becomes due, whereupon the lessor shall be holden to deliver the aforesaid house tight in roof and glass; the respective parties below pledging their persons and estates, real and personal, submitting the same to all laws and judges, without craft or guile.

Done in the village of Beverwyck the 23d of July, A. D. 1657, in presence of Jan Roeloffsen and Pieter Lambertsen.

Was signed by DANIEL RINCKHOUDT.
REYNIER WISSELPENNINCK.

Jan Roeloffsen, and
Pieter Lambertsen.[2]

Acknowledged before me,

LA MONTAGNE, Deputy at Fort Orange.

Appeared before me Johannes La Montagne, in the service, etc., Teunis Teunissen Metselaer[3] and Egbetje Egberts, husband and wife, who declared that they had appointed, as by these presents, they do appoint and empower, Teunis Swaneken, in their names and in their behalf, to procure and receive the payment from Joncker Quarp, of such a sum as belongs to the appointers, according to the lease, which the attorney [Swaneken] already has in his hands, and for the furtherance of this object to proceed according to the method of law to a definite sentence, and from this sentence to proceed to execution, or to appeal from the same, as necessity demands, with power to substitute one or more persons, and to do in the case as if the appointers themselves were present; they promising to hold good all that the attorney shall do on pledge of their persons and estates, real and personal, submitting the same to all laws and judges.

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[1] Gerrit Banker probably came from Amsterdam, Holland, where his brother William resided in 1698. He married Elizabeth Van Eps, daughter of Dirk Van Eps, and Maritie Damens, and had one son Evert, born 21 January, 1665. His house lot in Beverwyck was on the south side of Joncker street, now State street, the third (now second), east from South Pearl street. He also owned a lot on the north side of Beaver street, next west of the alms house. After her husband's death Mrs. Banker removed to New York, where she opened a store and resided until her death, on the 3d of July, 1693. The inventory of her property, made 26 August, 1693, shows that she had houses and lands in Schenectady, Albany, Catskil and New York, besides a large amount of personal property.

[2] In 1658, complaint was made against Evert Nolden for drawing his knife and hanger on Pieter Lambertse.—*Dutch Manuscripts.*

[3] Teunis Teunissen Metselaer made his will in 1685, and then speaks of his wife Egbertie Egbertse and of his children, Maritie, wife of Harmen Lievese, Egbert, Gerritie, wife of Andries Hanse, Dirke, wife of Bastian Harmense [Visscher], Willemtje aged 23 years, Anna aged 21 years, and Marten aged 19 years.

Done in Fort Orange the 25th of July, A. D. 1657, in presence of Adrian Simonsen [Boer or Bat] and Johannes Provoost.

TEUNIS TEUNISSEN METSELAER.
EGBERTYEN EGBERS.

This is the mark of + Adrian Simonsen.
Johannes Provoost, witness.

Acknowledged before me,

LA MONTAGNE, Deputy at Fort Orange.

Appeared before me Johannes La Montagne, in the service, etc., Frans Jacobsen, who declared that he was honestly indebted to Adrian Simonsen, in the sum of thirteen whole beavers; which number of beavers he promises to pay the next year, 1658, in the month of May, with interest on the same at twenty per cent,[1] on pledge of his person and estate, real and personal.

Done in Fort Orange the 25th of July, A. D. 1657, in presence of Jan Cloet and Johannes Provoost.

FRANS JACOBSEN.

Johannes Clute, witness.
Johannes Provoost, witness.

Acknowledged before me,

LA MONTAGNE, Deputy at Fort Orange.

Appeared before me Johannes La Montagne, in the service, etc., in the presence of Jacob Schermerhooren and Philip Pieterse [Schuyler], commissaries of the same jurisdiction, Teunis Teunisse [Metselaer], burgess and citizen of the village of Beverwyck, who declared that he had granted and conveyed, as by these presents he does grant and convey, in real and actual possession, to the behoof of Jan Cloet, his heirs or assigns, a garden lying behind Fort Orange, by Jan De Wevers,[2] in length seven rods, and in breadth four rods, and that for the sum of eight and thirty guilders, in good whole merchantable beavers, to be paid in the month of October, A. D. 1657; and promises the same to free from all actions, claims or demands that may be upon the aforesaid garden, on pledge of his person and estate, personal and real.

Done in Fort Orange the 26th of July, A. D. 1657.

TEUNIS TEUNISSEN METSELAER.

Jacob Jansen Schermerhooren.
Philip Pietersen.

Acknowledged before me,

LA MONTAGNE, Deputy at Fort Orange.

Appeared before me Johannes La Montagne, in the service of the General Privileged West India Company, deputy, etc., Cornelis Cornelissen De Vos,[3] who declared that he had appointed, as by these presents he does appoint and empower, the honorable Dirck Janssen Croon[4] in his name and in his behalf, to procure the payment from the honorable

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[1] The usual interest at this time was 10 per cent.
[2] Jan Martense De Weever, who subsequently settled at Kinderhook.
[3] Andries De Vos is called *schoonvader* (father-in-law) of Cornelis Vos.— *Deeds*, II, 1667.
[4] Dirk Croon was of Amsterdam in 1661.— *English Manuscripts.*

director general of New Netherland, of the sum of two hundred and forty-five guilders and eight stuivers fourteen pennies and two-ninths parts, earned by the appointer in the service of the Honorable West India Company, as appears by his settlement, signed by P. Stuyvesant and A. Reyser, also to procure the payment from said Heer [Stuyvesant] of two beavers, disbursed by the appointer, at the time of the English war, as the billet signed by Rutger Jacobsen shows; acquittance for receipts to pass in case necessity requires it, and to do in this matter all that shall be right and just; promising to hold good all that the attorney [Croon] shall do in the matter, on pledge of his person and estate, personal and real.

Done in Fort Orange the 26th of July, A. D. 1657, in presence of Harmen Jacobsen [Bambus] and Johannes Provoost.

CORNELIS VOS.

Harmen Jacobs.
Johannes Provóost, witness.

Acknowledged before me,

LA MONTAGNE, Deputy at Fort Orange.

Appeared before me Johannes La Montagne, in the service, etc., the honorable Francoys Boon, who declared that he had appointed, as by these presents he does appoint and empower, the honorable Johannes Van t'Willer of Newkerck in Gelderland, in his name and in his behalf, to procure [the payment] of a certain bill of exchange passed by Gysbert Philipse Van Velthuysen, upon the appointer [Boon] for the sum of six hundred Carolus guilders in current money, which bill of exchange was, by Cornelis Pietersen Huysman, dwelling at Velthuysen, not accepted and was protested, because Gysbert Philipsen Van Velthuysen had received of the aforementioned Cornelis Pietersen Huysman the value of fifty guilders in money, for which sum he demands a settlement of him; the aforesaid attorney [Van t'Willer is authorized] to procure the payment of said sum of six hundred guilders and to proceed against him [Philipsen] according to law, before competent judges, namely, before the honorable magistrates of the province of Gelderlant, to definite sentence, the same to execute or waive, as he shall find good, for the receipt of the aforesaid money acquittance to pass, and in said matter to act as if the appointer himself were present; promising to hold good all that the attorney [Van t'Willer] in this matter shall do without the exception of any privilege or action, on pledge of his person and estate, real and personal, present and future, submitting the same to all laws and judges.

Done in Fort Orange the 28th of July, A. D. 1657, in presence of Evert Heedeman.

FRANCOOS BOON.

Eberhardt Hedeman, as witness.
Johannes Provoost, witness.

Acknowledged before me,

LA MONTAGNE, Deputy at Fort Orange.

Appeared before me Johannes La Montagne, in the service, etc., Jan Labitè,[1] who declared that he had appointed and empowered, as by these

[1] Jan Labitè, a native of France, came out previous to 1634; he was commissary for the patroon, and held the same office in Fort Orange under the company. He married Jillisje Claes, widow of Harmen Van De Bogart. Although owning lands and a house lot at Schenectady, it is not probable that he long resided there.

presents he does appoint and empower, Reyndert Hoorn, in his name and in his behalf, to ask and to procure of the honorable director general of New Netherland, payment of the sum of three hundred and sixty-three guilders, seventeen stuivers and thirteen pennies, earned by the appointer for the honorable West India Company, as appears by his settlement, for the receipt of said moneys acquittance to pass, and in the matter to do as if the appointer himself was present; promising to hold good all that the attorney [Hoorn][1] in this matter shall do, on pledge of his person and estate, personal and real, submitting the same to all laws and judges.

Done in Fort Orange the 30th of July, A. D. 1657, in presence of Teunis Tempelier and Johannes Provoost.

JAN LABATIE.

Thuenes Pietersen Temper.[2]
Johannes Provoost, witness.

Acknowledged before me,

LA MONTAGNE, Deputy at Fort Orange.

Appeared before me Johannes La Montagne, in the service, etc., Teunis Pietersen Tempelier, who declared that he had appointed, as by these presents he does appoint and empower the Honorable Philip Pieterse [Schuyler] and Jan Mangelsen,[3] in his name and in his behalf, to ask and to procure all the debts which are due to him, according to his account book, for the receipts thereof to pass acquittances, and in the matter to do as if the appointer himself were present; promising to hold for good all that the attorneys [Schuyler and Mangelsen] in this matter shall do, on pledge of his person and estate, personal and real, submitting the same to all laws and judges.

Done in Fort Orange the 30th of July, A. D. 1657, in presence of Lowies Cobussen and Johannes Provoost.

THUNES PIETERSEN TEMPER.

Ludovicus Cobes.
Johannes Provoost, witness.

Acknowledged before me,

LA MONTAGNE, Deputy at Fort Orange.

In the name of the Lord Amen, be it known by the contents of this present instrument; that in the year of our Lord Jesus Christ, sixteen hundred seven and fifty, on the thirtieth day of the month of July, before me Johannes La Montagne, etc., and in the presence of the after named witnesses, appeared the honorable Goosen Gerritsen [Van Schaick], widower of Gerritie Brant[4], bridegroom, on the one side, and Annetie Lievens, daughter of Lievens Janssen[5], bride, of the other side, who declared that, for God's honor, they are resolved upon a future marriage, and before the bands of the same, have willingly made the following con-

[1] In 1662 Reyndert Jansen Hoorn had permission to come to New Amsterdam and reside there four months free from arrest to settle with his creditors.— *Dutch Manuscripts.*

[2] Teunis Pietersen Temper was probably in trade at Beverwyck for a short time. In 1660 certain beaver skins — property of his — were confiscated in New Amsterdam.— *Dutch Manuscripts.*

[3] Jan Mangelse, an Indian trader in 1661.— *Dutch Manuscripts.*

[4] Gerritie Brant was daughter of Brandt-Peelen [Van Nieuwkerke] who came to Albany in 1630.— *O'Callaghan's History of New Netherland*, i. 433.

[5] Lievens Janssen received a patent for 25 morgens of land in Newtown, L. I., adjoining Hellgate in 1651, on which he built a house. The next year he sold this plantation to Andries Andriessen and removed to Beverwyck.— *Dutch Manuscripts.*

tract. *First.*— For the maintenance of this marriage, the aforesaid married people shall mutually bring together and bestow all their goods and effects, however much, of whatever kind and nature, in whatever place, and with whatever persons the same may lie outstanding and remaining; none of those effects are to be excepted, which they each at present possess and which it is just should be possessed in common by them, according to the customs of Holland; except that on the part of the bridegroom, there shall be reserved, six thousand guilders, for his four children left by Gerritie Brant, his late wife, to wit, Geertien Goossen, Gerrit Goossen, Sybrant Goossen and Antony Goossen, for their contingent possession from their late mother: which sum shall remain in common or in the hands respectively of the bridegroom and bride, until the time that each of said children comes to competent age, or the marriage state, at which time, to each one of the same shall be given his contingent possession, without rent or interest; there is also excepted all the clothing and jewels of Gerritie Brant, his late wife, which she in her life time gave to Geertjen Goossen, his oldest daughter, which, or the value of them, shall be given to her at her majority, or marriage; provided that the other three children, each out of his portion be assessed as the aforesaid clothing and jewels shall be estimated by two impartial persons, which portion shall be taken from the aforesaid sum of six thousand guilders. Item, that the aforesaid children shall be brought up and maintained in victuals and clothes, until their majority or marriage, without lessening their matrimonial [maternal?] estate, using only the income of the aforesaid sum of six thousand guilders; which marriage and conditions the said bridegroom and bride promise to keep without craft or guile, on pledge of their persons and estate, personal and real, submitting the same to all laws and judges.

Done in the village of Beverwyck *ut supra*, in presence of Philip Pietersen [Schuyler] and Johannes Provoost.

This is the mark of + GOOSEN GERRITSEN.
ANNETGE LIEVENS.

Philip Pietersen Schuyler.
Johannes Provoost, witness.

Acknowledged before me,

LA MONTAGNE, Deputy at Fort Orange.

Appeared before me Johannes De La Montagne, in the service, etc., the honorable Claas Hendrickse [Van Schoonhoven], who declared that he had appointed, as by these presents he does appoint and empower the honorable Jan Verbeeck and Hendrick Andriessen [Van Doesburgh] and his wife Cornelia Frederickse, in his absence, to direct all his affairs, debts to receive and for the same discharge to give, debts to pay from his effects, transfers to give, and in all his affairs to act as if he himself were present; promising to hold good all that the said attorneys, with his said wife shall do, on pledge of his person and estate, personal and real, present and future, and submitting the same to all laws and judges.

Done in Fort Orange, in presence of Zacarias Sickelssen and Evert Edeman, witnesses for that purpose called, the 3d of August, 1657.

CLAES HENDRYCKSEN.

Zacharyas Seckels.
Eberhardt Hedemann.

Acknowledged before me,

LA MONTAGNE, Deputy at Fort Orange.

At this date, the sixth of August, A. D. 1657, Harmen Jacobse [Bambus] and Henderick Bierman, came to an agreement about the burgher excise of beer and wine, whereupon Harmen Jacobse, as farmer of the same, transferred it wholly to the above mentioned Henderick Bierman, and that for the sum of six hundred guilders to be paid in two installments; the first, four hundred guilders, to be paid in the time of eight days from the date hereof, to Rut Jacobsen [Van Schoenderwoert], and the other two hundred guilders, when the excise falls due, for which aforesaid sum of six hundred guilders, Marcelus Janssen [Van Bommel] and Henderick Driessen [Andriessen Van Doesburgh] stood sureties, on pledge of their persons and estates, real and personal.

Done in the village of Beverwyck *ut supra*, in presence of Claes Hendericksе and William Frederickse [Bout].

HARMEN JACOBS.
This is the mark + of HENDERICK BIERMAN.
MARCELYS JANSSEN.
HENDRICK ANDRIESSEN.

As witnesses, Claas Hendrycksen.
This is the mark of + William Frederickse, witness.

Acknowledged before me,

LA MONTAGNE, Deputy at Fort Orange.

Appeared before me Johannes La Montagne, in the service, etc., Harmen Jacobsen [Bambus], who declared that he had granted and conveyed, as by these presents he does grant and convey, in real and actual possession, to the behoof of the honorable Rutger Jacobsen, burgess and citizen of the village of Beverwyck, his yacht, named the Oak Tree (*Eyckenboom*), just as it at present lies in the roadstead, with all its appurtenances, for the sum of eighteen hundred guilders, for which sum the aforesaid Harmen Jacobse, the same yacht from said Rutger Jacobsen bought, and from failure of payment, the same yacht, by these presents, he has been obliged to reconvey, yielding, by these presents, all claims that he upon said yacht may have, on pledge of his person and estate, personal and real.

Done in Fort Orange the 10th of August, A. D. 1657, in presence of William Martense [Hues] and Johannes Provoost.

HARMEN JACOBSE.

Willem Martense Hues.
Johannes Provoost, witness,

Acknowledged before me,

LA MONTAGNE, Deputy at Fort Orange.

In the name of the Lord Amen, be it known by the contents of this present instrument, that in the year sixteen hundred and fifty-seven, on the thirteenth day of the month of August, appeared before me Johannes La Montagne, in the service of the General Privileged West India Company, deputy at Fort Orange and village of Beverwyck, Roeloff Swartwout,[1] in the presence of his father, Tomas Swartwout, on the one side, and Eva Albertsen (Bratt), widow of the late Antony De Hooges,[2] in the

[1] Roeloff Swartwout was appointed the first sheriff of Esopus in 1660.— *O'Callaghan's History of New Netherland*, ii, 430.
[2] Anthony De Hooges succeeded Arent Van Curler in 1642 as superintendent of the colony of Rensselaerswyck.— *O'Callaghan's History of New Netherland*, i, 322.

presence of Albert Andriessen [Bratt] her father of the other side, who in the following manner have covenanted this marriage contract, to wit, that for the honor of God the said Roeloff Swartwout and Eva Albertsen after the manner of the Reformed religion respectively held by them shall marry; secondly, that the said married people shall contribute and bring together all their estates, personal and real, of whatsoever nature they may be, to be used by them in common, according to the custom of Holland, except that the bride, Eva Albertse, in presence of the orphan masters, recently here chosen, to wit, Honorable Jan Verbeeck and Evert Wendels, reserves for the children of her and Antony De Hooges, for each of them, a hundred guilders, to wit, for Maricken, Anneken, Catrina, Johannes, and Eleonora De Hooges, for which sum of one hundred guilders for each child respectively [she] mortgages her house and lot, lying here in the village of Beverwyck; it was also covenanted, by these presents, by the mutual consent of the aforewritten married people, that Barent Albertse [Bratt][1] and Teunis Slingerland, brother and brother-in-law of the said Eva Albertse, and uncles of said children, should be guardians of said children, to which the aforesaid orphan masters have consented; which above written contract the respective parties promise to hold good, on pledge of their persons and estates, personal and real, present and future, the same submitting to all laws and judges.

Done in Fort Orange *ut supra*, in presence of Pieter Jacobsen and Johannes Provoost, witnesses, for that purpose called.

ROELOFF SWARTWOUT.
This is the mark of + EVA ALBERTSE.
THOMAS SWARTWOUT.
ALBERT ANDRIESSEN.
JAN VERBEECK.
EVERT WENDEL.
TEUNIS CORNELISSEN.[2]

Johannes Provoost, witness.
This is the mark of + Pieter Jacobsen.[3]

Acknowledged before me,
LA MONTAGNE, Deputy at Fort Orange.

Terms and conditions on which Jan Roeloffse [De Goyer], purposes to sell at public sale his house and the whole lot lying on the hill, according to the patent thereof. *First.*— The house shall be delivered to the buyer, with all the fixtures, with the whole lot, twenty rods long, and in breadth to the east, five rods one foot, or two exclusive; to the west the hill, in breadth seven and a half rods. The delivery of the house and lot shall be given on the first of October of this year, 1657. The payment shall be made in two terms, the first installment with the delivery of the house, and the second installment, on the first of August, 1658, and that in whole

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[1] Barent Albertse Bratt lived without the north gate of Beverwyck in 1700, just west of the main guard, near or on the east corner of Steuben street and Broadway. He had frequent warnings from the common council not to fence in certain grounds there belonging to the city.— *Munsell's Annals of Albany*, IV, 109, etc.; VII, 24.

[2] Teunis Cornelise Slingerland came early to Beverwyck and settled at Onisquathaw or Niskata, now New Scotland, where his descendants may be found to this day. He married Engeltie Albertse Bratt, and among their children were Arent, Albert; and Cornelis, who settled in Schenectady.

[3] Pieter Jacobsen (Borsboom?), brickmaker (*steenbakker*), who early removed to Schenectady.

merchantable beavers. The buyer shall be held to furnish two sufficient sureties, jointly and severally, to the content of the seller and that immediately. If the buyer can not furnish sufficient sureties immediately, then it shall be offered for sale again at the cost and charge of the buyer, and whatever less it comes to be worth he shall be held to make good, and whatever more it shall come to be worth, he shall enjoy no benefit from it. The auction fees become a charge upon the buyer. After many offers, Cornelis Segerse [Van Voorhoudt][1] remained the last bidder, for the sum of two thousand and twenty-one guilders, according to the abovesaid conditions, whereupon the aforesaid Cornelis Segerse bought the said house, upon condition that Jan Roeloffse shall take his horse, named Little Star (*Kolletie*), for the sum of four hundred guilders, as a deduction from the first payment, which horse the buyer shall deliver to the seller, with the delivery of the house, for which sum of two thousand and twenty-one guilders, the honorable Jacob Schermerhooren and Francoys Boon stood his sureties, on pledge of their persons and estates, personal and real.

Done in the village of Beverwyck, the 20th of August, A. D. 1657, in presence of Lowies Cobussen and Johannes Provoost.

CORNELIS SEGERSEN, with his own hand signed.
JACOB JANSEN SCHERMERHOOREN.
FRANCOOS BOON.

Ludovicus Cobus, as witness.
Johannes Provoost, as witness.

Acknowledged before me,

LA MONTAGNE, Deputy at Fort Orange.

Upon the date underwritten Harmen Jacobsen [Bambus], who at public sale remained the last bidder, in behalf of a garden lying behind Fort Orange, belonging to Jan Roeloffsen [De Goyer], promised to make payment for the same in two installments the first on the first of May, A. D. 1658; with the first payment the garden shall be delivered to Harmen Jacobsen, and that for the sum of one hundred and thirty-eight guilders; whereupon Pieter Jellesen Metselaer, stood surety for the last payment, on pledge of his person and estate, real and personal.

Done in the village of Beverwyck, the 20th of August, A. D. 1657, in presence of Lowies Cobussen and Johannes Provoost.

HARMEN JACOBS.
PIETER JELLESEN METSELAER.

Ludovicus Cobes.

Acknowledged before me,

LA MONTAGNE, Deputy at Fort Orange.

Appeared before me Johannes La Montagne, in the service of the General Privileged West India Company, vice director, etc., in the presence of the honorable Jacob Schermerhooren and Abraham Staets, commissaries of the same jurisdiction, Harmen Bastiaensen [Visscher],

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[1] Cornelis Segerse Van Voorhoudt came to Beverwyck in 1642, "and succeeded Vander Donck on the farm called Weelysburgh, on Castle island. He married Bregje Jacobse, by whom he had six children. Many of the family now pass by the name of Seger, in Albany county."—*O'Callaghan's History of New Netherland*, I, 133.

who declared that he had granted and conveyed, as by these presents he does grant and convey, in real and actual possession, to the behoof of William Hofmeyr[1] his heirs or assigns, a garden, bounding upon the south side of Henderick Janssen Westercamp, east, west and north a common road, length six rods ten feet, breadth six rods and one foot, which garden is a part of the patent of Jan Tomassen [Mingael] to him granted by the director general and council of New Netherland, of date 23d of April, 1650, for the sum of two hundred and sixty guilders, in good current seewant, to be paid in cash; the grantor promising the aforesaid garden to free from all claims or demands, on pledge of his person and estate, personal and real, the same submitting to all laws and judges.

Done in Fort Orange, the 28th of August, A. D. 1657.

HARMEN BASTIAENS.
WILLEM HOFFMEYER.

Jacob Jansen Schermerhooren.
Abraham Staes.

Acknowledged,

Appeared before me Johannes La Montagne, in the service, etc., in the presence of Jacob Schermerhooren and Philip Pieterse Schuyler, Christoffle Davids, burgess and citizen of the village of Beverwyck, who declared that he had granted and conveyed, as by these presents he does grant and convey, in real and actual possession, to the behoof of Jan Tomassen [Mingael?], also citizen of the same village, his heirs or assigns a house and garden lying in said village of Beverwyck, next to the Heer Renselaer, on the river bank, in length on the west side along the road eight rods and one foot, on the east along the river eight rods and one foot, on the north on the lot of Gossen Gerritse [Van Schaick], in breadth six rods, on the south side, in breadth three and a half rods, which garden was received from Frans Barentse Pastoor, of date 6 July, 1657, for the sum of three hundred and fifty guilders, of which sum said Christofel Davids acknowledges he has had satisfaction; promising the said garden to free from all claims and demands, which may be against said garden, on pledge of his person and estate, personal and real, present and future, the same submitting to all laws and judges.

Done in Fort Orange, the 7th day of September, 1657.

This is the mark of + CHRISTOFFEL DAVIDS.

Jacob Janse Schermerhooren.
Philip Pietersen.

Acknowledged before me,

Conditions and terms according to which Cornelis Vos [De Vos] proposes to sell at public sale his new house and lot lying in the village of Beverwyck. *First.*—The house shall be delivered to the buyer, with all the fixtures, in breadth in front upon the street, nineteen feet and

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[1] Willem Hoffmeyer was fined 500 guilders ($200) and banished two years for conveying beer up the river and selling it to the Indians. The next year he had a suit with Jochem Wesselse Bakker, his stepfather, in reference to a house.—*Dutch Manuscripts.*

four inches, and breadth in the rear, eighteen feet, length five and twenty feet, with a lot behind of five and sixty feet in length, and in breadth fourteen feet, stretching from the kil to the breadth of the house; also the lot is nineteen feet four inches in breadth in front on the street, in the rear on the kil side the breadth is fourteen feet. * * * *

[This paper is imperfect and unexecuted.]

Conditions and terms on which Cornelis Vos [De Vos] proposes to sell at public sale his old house where he at present lives, with the lot. *First.*—The house shall be delivered to the buyer as it at present is occupied by the seller, with its fixtures, except the signboard; the aforesaid house is twenty-one and a half feet broad and five and twenty feet long; with the lot five and twenty and a half feet broad; the lot is four feet wider than the house, to have a free gangway; the whole lot with the house is one hundred and four feet long.

[This paper is imperfect and unexecuted.]

Conditions and terms on which Jacob Kip[1] proposes to sell publicly, to the highest bidder, his house, kitchen, hen or hog yard, and lot lying in the city of [New] Amsterdam, over against the house of Heer Oloff Stevense [Van Cortland],[2] as the same is occupied by him. The house two and thirty feet long and twenty feet broad, inclosed with thick planks and a glazed pantile roof, has a garret and floor, cellar walled up three, four or five feet with stone, and has a brick chimney in the front room, also a shop, the partition wall of bricks, the inner room built up with brick all around (*rondtom*), bedstead, counting house, and larder therein, besides the aforesaid house, there is a kitchen eight or nine feet wide and seventeen or eighteen feet long, on the side of the house, with a brick chimney, in use by him, together with a hen or hog yard in the rear, and the place paved with bricks, and an apple tree therein, also a common gangway on the west side of the house six feet wide, and a common well, and what more is thereon and fast in earth and nailed, except the andirons (*handizer*) and hearth stone. * * * *

[This paper is imperfect and unexecuted.]

Conditions on which the Heer deputy and commissaries of Fort Orange and village of Beverwyck, desire to farm out to the highest bidder, the burgher wine and beer excise, for the time of one year. The farming, as well as the duties shall begin on the first day of November, A. D. 1657, and end on the last day of October, A. D. 1658, according to the ordinances of our fatherland. The farmer of the excise shall receive for a tun of strong beer (*goedt bier*) one dollar (*daelder*), for a tun of small beer (*klein bier*) ten stuivers (20 *cts.*), for a hogshead of French wine, six guilders ($2.40), for an anker[3] of brandy, Spanish wine or spirits (*waters*) two guilders (80 *cts.*). The farmer of the excise shall be holden to

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[1] Jacob Kip was a resident of New Amsterdam: for an account of this family, see O'Callaghan's *History of New Netherland*, II, 213.
[2] *Ibid.*, I, p. 212.
[3] About 10 gallons.

furnish two sufficient sureties, jointly and severally, as principals, to the content of those who farm out the excise (*verpachters*), to pay the aforesaid farmer's excise every quarter, a fourth part of the whole sum. In case that the farmer shall fail of the aforesaid sureties, then it shall be offered for sale again at his cost and charge, and whatever less it comes to be worth, he shall be holden to make good, and whatever more it comes to be worth he shall enjoy no benefit therefrom. After many offers, Marcelis Janssen [Van Bommel][1] remained the last bidder for the sum of two thousand one hundred and fifteen guilders, according to the above-written conditions, and Andries Herbertsen and Jan Van Aken[2] stood sureties as principals, on pledge of their persons and estates, personal and real.

Done in the village of Beverwyck, the 5th of October, A. D. 1657.

MARCELYS JANSEN.
ANDRIES HERBERTS.

This is the mark of JAN VAN AECKEN.

Conditions upon which the honorable deputy and commissaries of Fort Orange and village of Beverwyck desire to farm out to the highest bidder, the slaughter excise for the space of one year. The farming of the aforesaid slaughter excise shall commence on the first day of October, in the year 1657, and end on the last day of September, A. D. 1658. The farmer shall receive for slaughtered animals, that is to say, oxen, cows, bulls, calves, hogs, goats and sheep, a stuiver for every guilder[3] of the value of the same, in case of dispute, to be valued by impartial persons; the farmer shall stand holden to furnish two sufficient sureties to the content of the Heer commissaries, for the excise money, to be paid, one just fourth part of said excise every quarter of a year, and if the farmer can furnish no sufficient surety, it shall again be offered for sale at his cost and charge, and whatever less it shall come to be worth, he shall be holden to make good, and whatever more it shall become worth, he shall receive no profit therefrom. After many offers, Marcelus Janssen [Van Bommel] remained the last bidder for the sum of seven hundred and twelve guilders, according to the aforesaid conditions; and as sureties for the aforesaid sum, Andries Herbertsen and Jan Van Aecken [offered themselves], on pledge of their persons and estates, personal and real.

Done in the village of Beverwyck, the 5th of October, A. D. 1657, in presence of Ludovicus Cobussen.

MARCELYS JANSEN.
ANDRIES HERBERTS.
This is the mark of × JAN VAN AECKEN.

Ludovicus Cobus, as witness.
Johannes Provoost, as witness.

This farming was made in the presence of the vice director, J. La Montagne, and Jacob Schermerhooren, Philip Pieterse Schuyler, Jan

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[1] Marcelis Janse was one of the innkeepers of Beverwyck.
[2] Jan Coster van Aecken is often mentioned in these records. No names of the family appear on the ancient church register of baptisms.
[3] This excise amounted to 2 cents for every 40 cents in the value of the animals mentioned.

Tomasse [Mingael], Goossen Gerritse [Van Schaick] and Adrian Gerritse [Papendorp], commissaries, the 5th of October, A. D. 1657.

La Montagne, V. Dr. of Fort Orange.
Jacob Jansen Schermerhooren.
Philip Pieterse Schuyler.
Jan Tomassen.
Adrian Gerrietsen.

Conditions on which the director general and council of New Netherland propose to farm out the excise of beer, wine and strong waters consumable by the tapsters in Fort Orange, village of Beverwyck, and appendances of the same. *First.*—That the farming out, as well as the collecting the duties, be done in pursuance of the laudable customs of our fatherland, and in accordance with the printed ordinance and placards of the honorable their high mightinesses the States General of the United Netherlands, to that end made (in respect to the matter of finances and subsidies required for the common weal) whereof a printed exemplar shall be put into the hands of the Heer deputy and commissaries. The farming of the excise shall begin on the first of November, of the year 1657, and end on the last of October, A. D. 1658, during which time the farmer, of himself, may collect and receive, or by his deputy or collector may collect and receive, for all wines, beers, or distilled (?) waters by any tapsters, innkeepers or retailers, to be drawn and consumed by the small measure, in Fort Orange, village of Beverwyck, colony of Renselaerwyck, Catskil, Esopus, and other places, lying between them, or falling within this period, as follows: for a tun of domestic brewed beer, 4 guilders ($1.60), for a tun of oversea or foreign beer, 6 guilders ($2.40), for a hogshead of French wine or Rhenish wine (*rincewyn*), sixteen guilders ($6.40), for an anker[1] of brandy or of distilled waters, malmsey (*macluweyen*), Spanish or Canary wines, 16 guilders ($6.40) per anker, and proportionally for greater or less casks (*fastatie*). Inasmuch as at the sale[2] two or more persons may make the same bid, it remains for the Messrs. contractors to choose according to their liking and approbation, and to grant the excise to one of the bidders at their pleasure, or to offer the same at public sale again, if they find it proper to do so. The farmer stands holden to furnish two sufficient sureties to the content of the Messrs. contractors for the excise money, and to pay every quarter a just fourth part in current seewant, to the receiver of the director general and council, or to their attorney, and that upon order of the honorable Messrs. director general and council. Next, to prevent all caviling, misunderstanding, compounding and frauds, the Messrs. contractors stipulate and agree that after the expiration of this contract, whenever the farming out shall be renewed, it shall be permitted to the new farmer, immediately, or on the following day, or at the longest within the time of three days, after the new farming, in common form and in presence of the late farmer, if he wishes to be present, to guage the remainders of the wines, beers and distilled waters kept over by the tapsters, innkeepers or retailers, and by

[1] 10½ gallons.
[2] There were two methods of offering property at public sale: by one, the purchasers commencing at a low figure gradually raised the price until the seller was willing to pronounce the article sold; by the other, the seller offered the article at a higher figure than he expected to get, and gradually lowered the price until some one of the purchasers cried out "*min*." The latter method called by the Dutch *mining*, was more commonly used by them than the former.

them given over for the new farming, for which wines, beers, or distilled waters held and found over two-thirds of the excise received or due, shall be returned and restored to his successor. The director general and council reserve to themselves the interpretation and amplification of these presents, and promise the farmer all proper aid and assistance in his acts and arrests. At the public sale of the above farming, William Frederickse Bout,[1] became the farmer for the sum of four thousand two hundred and fifty guilders, according to the aforesaid conditions, and the Messrs. Arnoldus [Arent] Van Corlaer and Cornelis Teunisse [Bos] stood sureties for the farmer, for the aforesaid sum, on pledge of their persons and estates, personal and real.

Done in the village of Beverwyck, the 7th of November, A. D. 1657, in presence of Lowies Cobus and Johannes Provoost.

This is the mark of Willem Frederickse Bout.

A. Van Curler.[2]
Cornelis Thonisen Bos.

Ludovicus Cobes.
Johannes Provoost, clerk.

Conditions and terms on which Juffrouw Johanna De Hulter[3] proposes to sell at public sale her brick kiln (*steen bakkerij*) as it stands. *First.* The brick kiln shall be delivered to the buyer as it stands fenced, and shall be shown to him, in free ownership, except that he shall pay as an acknowledgment, two guilders yearly, to the patroon. The delivery shall be made on the 8th of November, 1657. The payment shall be made in three terms, to wit; the first installment on the first of July, 1658, one-half in good whole merchantable beavers, and the other half in good current seewant; the second installment on the first of July, A. D. 1659, the half also in good whole merchantable beavers, and the other half in good current seewant; and the third instalment, on the first of July A. D. 1660, also to be paid in the aforesaid currencies. The buyer shall be holden to furnish two sufficient sureties, and that immediately, to the content of the seller. If the buyer can not furnish sufficient sureties in

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[1] Willem Frederickse Bout was one of the innkeepers of Beverwyck.

[2] Arendt Van Curler came out from Holland in 1630, as assistant commissary of the patroon, but was soon after his arrival appointed commissary-general, or superintendent of the colony, and acted as colonial secretary until 1642; his jurisdiction extended from Beeren island to the mouth of the Mohawk on both sides of the river; 1642 he rescued father Jogues from the Mohawks; 1646 married Antonia Slaghboom, and visited Holland; and on his return moved to the flats above Albany, where he had a farm; 1659 held a conference with the Mohawks at Canghnawagas, and renewed the treaty of sixteen years standing with them; 1660 assisted Stuyvesant at a negotiation with all the Indian tribes at Esopus (Kingston); was one of the leaders in the settlement of Schenectady 1661-2; and on the surrender of New Netherland to the English, was specially sent for by Gov. Nicoll to be consulted on Indian affairs and the interests of the country generally; was highly respected by the governors of Canada; was invited by the viceroy, Tracy, to visit Quebec, 1667, and set out accompanied by M. Fontaine, whom he had rescued from the Indians—his influence among them being so unlimited, and his memory so highly esteemed, that all succeeding governors of New York were addressed by the name of *Corlaer*, in honor of him. In attempting to cross Lake Champlain in a canoe, he was overtaken by a storm and drowned, it is supposed near Split rock, and the country experienced a great loss, and the French of Canada a warm and efficient friend.— *O'Callaghan's History of New Netherland*, i, 322.

[3] Johan De Hulter, one of the partners of Rensselaerswyck, embarked in May, 1653, from Amsterdam, in the vessel called the Graef, with different families, taking with them a number of free men, among whom were several mechanics, as one extraordinary potter (*steenbakker*, brick-maker), who intended to settle either in the colony or any other convenient place.— *Albany Records*, iv, 93. Mrs. De Hulter was a daughter of Johannes De Laet. In 1657 she obtained a patent for 500 acres of land at Esopus.— *Dutch Manuscripts*, iii, 74.

the aforesaid time, it shall again be offered for sale at his cost and charge, and whatever less it comes to be worth, he shall be holden to make good, and whatever more it shall become worth he shall enjoy no profit therefrom. The auction fees become a charge upon the buyer. After many offers, Adrian Jansen Van Ilpendam remained the last bidder, for the brick kiln[1] of Juffrouw Johanna de Hulter, for the sum of eleven hundred guilders, according to the aforesaid conditions, on pledge of his person and estate, personal and real.

Done in the village of Beverwyck, the 7th of November, A. D. 1657, in presence of Lowies Cobussen and Johannes Provoost.

ADRIAN VAN ILPENDAM.

At the same time, Pieter Loockermans and Cornelis Teunissen Bosch[2] stood as sureties and principals for the person [of Adrian Van Ilpendam], and the aforesaid sum of eleven hundred guilders, on pledge of their persons and estates, personal and real.

Done *ut supra* in presence of the above written persons.

CORNELIS THONISEN BOS.
PIETER LOOCKERMANS.[3]

Madam [*Juffrouw*] Johanna De Hulter proposes to sell at public sale, her tile kiln (*pannenbackerij*), according to the aforementioned conditions for the brick kiln, provided that the tile kiln be bound to be worked one year at her own expense, according to the contract made with the late Heer De Hulter, and that she shall receive five and twenty guilders a thousand and a suit of clothes during the year as a present. After many offers, Pieter Meese [Vrooman], remained the last bidder, for the tile kiln, for the sum of three thousand seven hundred and seventeen guilders, according to the foregoing conditions, on bond of his person and estate, personal and real.

Done in Beverwyck, the 7th of November, A. D. 1657, in presence of Lowies Cobussen and Johannes Provoost, for which sum Andries Herbertsen and Cornelis Woutersen [Cornelisse Sterrevelt] stood sureties on the aforesaid pledge.

PIETER MEESE VROOMAN.[4]
ANDRIES HERBERTSEN.
CORNELIS CORNELISSEN STERREVELT.

Ludovicus Cobes.
Johannes Provoost.

Madame Johanna De Hulter proposes to sell, at public sale, her pasture, as it stands in fence, except the garden stuff, which is thereon, and it

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[1] The often repeated tradition of dwellings built of bricks brought from Holland would seem to be discredited by the fact that bricks and tiles were made in the province at so early a date.

[2] Cornelis Teunisse Bos, *bouwknecht* to Cornelis Maase Van Buren in 1631, was commissary at Fort Orange previous to 1662.— *O'Callaghan's History of New Netherland*, 1, 134.

[3] A brother of Govert Loockermans of New Amsterdam, who came from Turnhout, Holland. Jacob Loockermans, another brother, was also a citizen of Beverwyck at this time.— *Dutch Manuscripts.*

[4] There were three brothers Vrooman in Albany, Jacob, Pieter, and Hendrik. The latter settled early in Schenectady, where he was killed by the French and Indians, Feb. 9, 1690, leaving a large family of children from whom have descended all the Vroomans of this vicinity. The first brother, Jacob, died in Albany in 1691, leaving no children. Pieter was a surveyor and died in 1681. A son and daughter survived him; but the son had no descendants, save one daughter Geertruy.

shall be delivered on the 8th of November free and clear, the payment as before. After many offers, Jan Janse Van Otterspoor[1] remained the last bidder, for the pasture of Madam Johanna De Hulter, for the sum of eight hundred and eighty guilders, according to the aforesaid conditions, and Cornelis Teunisse [Antonisse] Van Slyck and Jurian Teunisse [Glazemaecker] stood as sureties, for the aforesaid sum, on pledge of their persons and estates, personal and real.

Done in Beverwyck, the 7th of November, A. D. 1657, in presence of Lowies Cobussen and Johannes Provoost.

JAN JANSSEN.
CORNELIS ANTHONISSEN [VAN SLYCK].[2]
JURRYAN TUNISSEN.

Madam Johanna De Hulter proposes to sell at public sale her dwelling house, as it stands in fence, with a barn (*schuurberch*) and a garden, which lies within the fence; it shall be delivered to the buyer, on the first of June, A. D. 1658, free and clear, and the payment shall be according to the conditions, before stated. After many offers, Didrick Van Hamel[3] remained the last bidder, for the dwelling house of Madam De Hulter, for the sum of two thousand one hundred guilders, according to the aforesaid conditions, and the honorable Johan Verbeeck and Adrian Janse [Appel] Van Leyden, stood as sureties for the aforesaid sum, on pledge of their persons and estates, personal and real.

Done in Fort Orange, the 8th of November, A. D. 1657, in presence of Lowies Cobus and J. Provoost.

D. V. HAMEL.
JAN VERBEECK.
ADRIAN JANSSEN VAN LEYDEN.[4]

Appeared before me Johannes La Montagne, deputy, etc., Jan Gillissen Kock, who declared that the last of the month of October, being on the yacht of Evert Pels[5] he heard Jan Van Breemen[6] say among the farmers at Katskil, concerning there being fodder for the beasts, which were in the yacht of the aforesaid Evert Pels, that no fodder was provided for the beasts, six in number, because the kil was dry, and he had taken two men also, to wit; the boor of his farm, and Gerrit Segersen, to drive the beasts overland to Fort Orange; upon which Tryntje Jurriaensen asked said Jan Van Breemen, if there was no feed about the country to be had with a cart; whereupon he, Jan Van Breemen, answered "The devil may

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[1] There was a place at Manhattans on the east river, called the Otterspoor (the otter run).— *Dutch Manuscripts.*

[2] Cornelis Antonisse Van Slyck arrived in Albany in 1641, and was the first patentee of Catskil in 1646, given to him for eminent services rendered in bringing about a general peace, and in ransoming prisoners in the hands of the Indians.— *O'Callaghan's History of New Netherland*, I, 381. He had an Indian wife, by whom he had at least three children, Jacques, Marten, and Hilletie. The former settled in Schenectady and left a large family; the latter married Pieter Van Olinda, and also left descendants. Cornelis Antonisse Van Slyck was sometime called Broer Cornelis.

[3] Mr. Van Hamel was secretary of Rensselaerswyck.— *Dutch Manuscripts.*

[4] Adrian Janse Appel, *alias* Van Leyden, was an innkeeper in Beverwyck whence he removed to New Amsterdam. He had at least two sons, Johannes and Willem, who were wounded at the sack of Schenectady, Feb. 9, 1690.

[5] Evert Pels Van Stehyn, brewer, and wife lived at the Mill creek, Greenbush. They came to New Netherland in 1642, with Do. Megapolensis.— *O'Callaghan's History of New Netherland*, I, 410.

[6] Jan Jansen Van Bremen came over in 1646, and lived at Bethlehem; in 1650 he removed to Catskil.— *Ibid.*, I, 411

draw it by land." Also, that he said to Tryntie Jurriaense, "We should let the beasts die of hunger if we should let them be driven overland to Fort Orange," whereupon the aforementioned Tryntje Jurriaense said, "There is no danger for the beasts from the Indians or others," Jan Van Breemen answered, "I will stand the danger of it for a guilder," and further, he had them brought out of the yacht, and they ran away, so that they were not to be found, which he [Kock] affirms to be true, and when necessary will confirm the same with an oath.

Done in Fort Orange, the 7th of November, A. D. 1657, in presence of J. Provoost and Nataniel Pietersen, by me.

JAN JELLISSEN KOOCK.

Johannes Provoost, witness.
Nattanael Piettersen.

Madam Johanna De Hulter proposes to sell, at public sale, the house where Piet Bout[1] dwells, but nothing more than the premises shall be delivered to the buyer, the payment six weeks after date according to the aforesaid conditions. After many offers, Aernoldus[2] Van Curler remained the last bidder, for the sum of seven hundred and forty guilders, according to the aforesaid conditions, and Johan Dareth and Frederick Hendericksen stood sureties for the aforesaid sum, on pledge of their persons and estates, personal and real.

Done in Beverwyck, the 7th of November, A. D. 1657, in presence of Lowies Cobussen and J. Provoost.

A. VAN CURLER.
JAN DARETH.
FREDERICK HENDRICK.

Madam De Hulter proposes to sell, at public sale, her cart with a horse, named Old Cato, which shall be delivered in the morning being the 8th November, but the payment shall be made on the first day of July, A. D. 1658, half beavers and the other half in merchantable seewant. After many offers, Pieter Jacobse Borsboom[3] remained the last bidder for two hundred and eighty guilders, according to the aforesaid conditions, and Cornelis Cornelisse Sterrevelt and Jan Anderiessen De Graeff[4] stood sureties for the aforesaid sum, on pledge of their persons and estates, personal and real.

Done in Beverwyck, the 7th of November, A. D. 1657, in presence of Lowies Cobussen and Johannes Provoost.

PIETER YACOPSE BORSBOOM.
JAN ANDERRESSEN DE GRAEF.
CORNELIS CORNELISSEN STERRENVELT.

Appeared before me J. La Montagne, in the service, etc., Evert Luycassen [Backer], who acknowledges that he has received and been

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[1] Pieter Bent or Bout was a brickmaker. He brought an action this year against Pieter Jacobse Borsboom for breach of contract in refusing to manufacture bricks for him.—*Dutch Manuscripts.*

[2] This was probably intended for Arent.

[3] Pieter Jacobse Borsboom was among the early settlers of Schenectady. He was a brickmaker (*steenbakker*). He died about 1689. His will made in 1686 mentions five children, Cornelis, Anna, Maritie, Fytie and Tryntie. The four daughters married into Schenectady families, save the last, who married John Oliver. Nothing is known of the son, who probably died young.

[4] Jan Andriesse De Graaf, brother of Claas Andriesse De Graaf, one of the first settlers of Schenectady, was a brickmaker in Albany, and afterwards in New Amsterdam.

paid, by David Wessels,[1] the sum of five hundred and sixty guilders in diverse payments, to wit, in the year 1654 a hundred and fifty guilders, and in the year 1657, in the month of August, the sum of four hundred and ten guilders, for which sums the aforesaid Evert Luycassen discharges the said David Wessels from all claims and every demand.

Done in Fort Orange, the 10th of November, A. D. 1657, in presence of Johannes Provoost and Willhem Montagne.

EVERT LUCKAS.

Appeared before me J. De La Montagne, in the service of the General Privileged West India Company, vice director, etc., Jan Roeloffse [De Goyer], burgess and citizen of the village Beverwyck, who declared in the presence of Flip Pieterse Schuyler and Jan Tomasse [Mingael], commissaries of this jurisdiction, that he had granted and conveyed as he by these presents does grant and convey, in real and actual possession to the behoof of Cornelis Seegers [Van Voorhoudt],[2] his heirs or assigns, a certain house and lot lying in the village of Beverwyck; in length twenty rods and in breadth on the east five rods, one foot, or two exclusive; on the west on the Hill, in breadth seven rods and a half, which length and breadth was changed by the road (*rauch*), made by the director general and commissaries of this place, so that it does not agree with the patent thereof granted; for which house and lot the aforesaid Cornelis Seegers has promised to pay, at a public sale, the sum of two thousand and twenty-one guilders, of which sum the grantor acknowledges that he has received the sum of one thousand and forty-two guilders, and the remainder of said sum of two thousand and twenty guilders, the aforementioned Cornelis Seegers promises to pay, on the first of August, A. D. 1658, in whole merchantable beavers; the respective parties pledging, for the maintenance of this contract, their persons and estates, personal and real, present and future, without exception, or subterfuge to any custom or laws, submitting the same to all courts and judges.

Done in the village of Beverwyck, the 10th of December, A. D. 1657.

JAN ROELOFFSE.
V. Q. m. 6, [C. ZEEGERS].

Philip Pietersen [*Schuyler*].
Jan Thomas [*Mingael*].

Acknowledged before me,

LA MONTAGNE, Deputy at Fort Orange.

Conditions and terms on which Albert Gerritsen[3] proposes to sell, at public sale, his house lying in the village of Beverwyck. *First* — The house of the said Albert Gerritse shall be delivered to the buyer, being bounded on the northside by Gerrit Baneker's house, on the south side by his own house, where Jan Van Eeckelen dwells; breadth front and rear

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[1] David Wessels was probably a citizen of New Amsterdam.— *Dutch Manuscripts.*

[2] Cornelis Segerse Van Voorhoudt, was among the early settlers of Albany. His wife was Bregje Jacobsen. They had three sons and three daughters. His son Seeger was killed in 1662, by Andries Herbertsen (*constapel*) in a drunken brawl.— *O'Callaghan's History of New Netherland*, 1, 440.

[3] Elbert Gerritsen was son of Gerrit Reverse; he married Maria Pruyn in 1653, and had three daughters and two sons, Gerrit and Hendrik. He was buried in the church 18 Nov., 1750. His wife, Marytie, was buried 21st of Aug., 1731.— *Annals of Albany*, 1, 8.

twenty wood feet, with a lot, in length ninety-four feet, and breadth twenty wood feet, with a bakery, which house and lot shall be delivered with all that is fast in earth and nailed, the 10th May, A. D. 1658.

[This paper is imperfect and unexecuted].

On this day, the 28th of March, A. D. 1657, Claas Hendrickse [Van Schoonhoven], as seller, and Jan Vinhagen[1] and Barent Reyndersen as buyers, covenant and agree in regard to the sale of a certain lot on the following conditions: *First.*—The seller shall deliver the lot in breadth and length, and upon the same conditions, as the aforesaid Claes Hendrickse purchased said lot of Rutger Jacopse, at the house of Hendrick Jochemse,[2] lying by the side of the house of the aforesaid Rutger Jacopse [Van Woert]; the aforesaid buyers shall pay for said lot five hundred and twenty-five guilders, in good whole beavers; the payment shall be made, in August, A. D. 1657, all without craft or guile: So we have subscribed to it, with our own hands, and as witnesses thereto, have called Rem Jansen [Smit] and Barent Mynderts.[3]

Done as above in Beverwyck, A. D. 1657. Was subscribed.

CLAAS HENDRICKSE.
JAN VINHAGEN.
BARENT REYNDERSEN.

Rem Janse.
Barent Mynders, as witnesses.

Conditions and terms on which Cornelis Cornelisse [De Vos ?] proposes to sell, at public sale, his house and lot, lying in village Beverwyck. *First.*—The house shall be delivered to the buyer as it stands, with all that is fast in earth and nailed, with the chimney and garret therein, with a lot 4½ rods long and 4 rods wide, and a garden. Delivery shall be made within the time of eight days from this date. (On the 18th of December, A. D. 1657, the aforesaid lot was delivered to Tomas Poulusse). The payment shall be made in three terms; the first on the first of May, A. D. 1658, in good whole merchantable beavers; the second installment on the first of August, A. D. 1658, in good whole merchantable beavers; and the third or last installment, on the first of February 1659, in good current seewant. The buyer shall be holden to furnish two sufficient sureties and that immediately, or in the time of 24 hours, to the content of the seller. If the buyer can not furnish sufficient sureties in the aforesaid time, then it shall be offered for sale again at the cost and charge of the buyer, and whatever less it shall come to be worth, he shall be holden to make good, and whatever more it shall become worth, he shall enjoy no benefit therefrom. The auction fees become a charge on the buyer. After many offers, Tomas Poulussen remained the last bidder for the sum of seven hundred and eight guilders, according to the aforesaid conditions, and Sander Leendertse [Glen][1] and Pieter Loockermans stood as sureties for

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[1] Johannes Vinhagen, born in 1633, was living in 1708. His son, Johannes, Jr., married Maria Van Tright in 1706, and had a family of seven children.

[2] Hendrik Jochemse was lieutenant of the burgher company.— *Dutch Manuscripts*, XVI, 103.

[3] Barent Mynderse was a shoemaker, born in 1627; he died about 1689, when Pieter Vosburgh administered upon his estate. It is not known that he left any descendants: those of the name in this vicinity have descended from Myndert Frederickse.

[4] Sander Leendertse Glen, a servant of the West India Company, was at Fort Nassau on the Delaware in 1633. He returned to New Amsterdam and thence to Beverwyck, where he settled about 1643 as a trader. In 1662 he became one of the proprietors of Schenectady, calling the name of his plantation, Scotia. His wife Catharine Dongan died in 1681. The following year he died, leaving three sons, Jacob, Sander and Johannes.

the aforesaid sum, on pledge of their persons and estates, personal and real, submitting the same to all laws and judges.

Done in village Beverwyck, on the 18th of December, A. D. 1657, in presence of Henderick Jochemse and Johannes Provoost.

THOMAS POWEL.[1]
SANDER LENRSEN [GLEN].
PIETER LOOCKERMANS.

Witness, Hendrick Joghemse.
Johannes Provoost, witness.

Conditions and terms on which Teunis Teunissen Metselaer proposes to sell, at public sale, his house and lot lying in village Beverwyck. *First.*—The aforesaid house shall be delivered to the buyer, with all that is fast in earth and nailed, with the lot in length from one street to the other, and in breadth in front of the house fifty-three [feet], in breadth in the rear sixty [?] feet. Delivery shall be made on the first of May, A. D. 1658. The payment shall be made in three installments: the first with the delivery, in good current seewant; the second installment on the first of July the next coming year, in good whole merchantable beavers; the third installment on the first of July, A. D. 1659, in good whole merchantable beavers. The buyer shall be held to furnish two sufficient sureties, and that immediately, or else in the time of 24 hours, to the content of the seller. If the buyer can not furnish sufficient sureties in the aforesaid time, then it shall be offered for sale again at his cost and charge, and whatever less it shall become worth, he shall make good, and whatever more it shall become worth, he shall enjoy no benefit therefrom. The auction fees shall become a charge to the buyer. After many offers, Andries Herbertsen [Constapel, van der Blaas], remained the last bidder, for the sum of one thousand two hundred and four guilders, according to the aforesaid conditions, and the honorable Philip Pieterse [Schuyler] and Philip Henderickse [Brouwer], stood as sureties and principals, for the aforesaid sum, on pledge of their persons and estates, personal and real.

Done in Beverwyck, the 17th of December, A. D. 1657, in presence of Lowies Cobus and J. Provoost.

ANDRIES HERBERTS.
PHILIP PIETERSEN.
FLIP HENDRICKSEN.

Conditions and terms on which Marcelus Janssen proposes to sell, at public sale, to the highest bidder, the house of Jan Van Hoesen,[2] lying on the hill. *First.*—The house shall be delivered to the buyer as it stands, with all that is fast in earth and nailed, with a lot of ten rods in length and four rods in width.

[This paper is incomplete and unexecuted].

Conditions and terms on which Jan Anderessen[3] proposes to sell at public sale his horse, and to deliver it immediately; to be paid for on the

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[1] In 1661 Thomas Powel with others petitioned for permission to purchase a parcel of land between Kinderhook and Neutenhook.—*Dutch Manuscripts.*

[2] Jan Franse Van Hoesen was not living in 1667, perhaps not at the date of the proposed sale above. His wife was Volkie Juriaense; they had a large family, of whom eight sons and daughters were living in 1691, viz: Juriaan, Jacob, Volkert, Anna, Styntie, Maria, Catharina, Johannes.

[3] Jantie (Johnny) the Irishman?

first of August, A. D. 1658, in good whole merchantable beavers. The buyer shall be holden to furnish two sufficient sureties and that immediately to the content of the seller. The auction fees to the charge of the buyer. After many offers, Jan Roeloffsen remained the last bidder for the sum of one hundred and ninety-four guilders, according to the aforesaid conditions, and Pieter Loockermans, Junr., and Geurt Henderickse [Van Schoonhoven], stood as sureties for the aforesaid sum, on pledge of their persons and estates, personal and real.

Done in Beverwyck, the 17th of December, A. D. 1657.

JAN ROELOFFSE [DE GOYER].
PIETER LOOCKERMANS.
GEUERT HENYDRICKSE.

[There is a break in the records here of nearly seven years. The foregoing papers are chiefly in the handwriting of Johannes Provoost, clerk, though acknowledged before Johannes De La Montagne as vice director of Fort Orange].

Appeared before me Johannes Provoost, clerk of the jurisdiction of Albany, and in presence of the honorable Jan Verbeeck and Jacob Schermerhoorn, commissaries of the same jurisdiction, the honorable Adrian Gerritse [Papendorp], who declared that he had granted and conveyed, as by these presents he does grant and convey, to and for the behoof of Jan Cloet, his heirs or those who shall acquire title from him, a house and lot lying in the village of Beverwyck, on the hill, bounded on the north by the street, on the south by Jan Hendrickse Van Bael,[1] on the east by Jan Tomase [Mingael], on the west by Wonter Albertsen [Van Den Uythoff], of such magnitude as it lies enclosed in the fence; which he does by virtue of a conveyance given him by Sander Leendertsen [Glen], and the grantor acknowledges that he is paid and satisfied for the purchase and delivery of these premises, with the sum of six hundred and thirty guilders in beavers; wherefore he promises to free the aforesaid house and lot from all actions, claims, and demands, which hereafter may come against the same; pledging his person and estate, personal and real, present and future, nothing excepted, and putting himself in subjection to all laws and judges.

Done in Albany, the $\frac{12}{22}$ of November, A. D. 1664.

ADRIAN GERRETSEN [PAPENDORP].

Jan Verbeeck.
Jacob Schermerhooren.

Conditions and terms on which the trustees of the estate of Jan Andriessen,[2] the Irishman, deceased, in the presence of the Messrs. commissaries, propose to sell, at public sale, to the highest bidder, several horses and beasts, for which payment shall be made in beavers, or seewant, at 24 guilders the beaver, or corn at beaver's price; and that in the time

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[1] Jan Hendrikse Van Bael or Baelen, had a patent for land on the Normanskil, which was sold by his heirs in 1716 to Omy La Grange and Johannes Symonse Veeder for £250. Van Bael had one son, Henry, who with his father had long been dead in 1716, and four daughters, viz: Hannah, *non compos mentis;* Maria, who married Isaac De Peyster of New York; Margaret, wife of Nicolaas Evertsen of New York; and Rachel, wife of Henry Wileman of the same place.

[2] Jan Andriessen the Irishman, *alias* Jantie (Johnny), was at Beverwyck in 1645. He removed to Catskil and bought land of Pieter Bronck.

of six weeks from the date hereof, and it is, by these presents, expressly conditioned, that no one shall purchase by a offset of moneys which may be due from Jantie the Irishman, deceased, but shall deliver the purchase money in to the hands of Johannes Provoost, and wait for a pro rata distribution. The buyer shall be held to furnish sufficient sureties as principals for the securing of the purchase money. In paying as aforesaid, the auction fees become a charge upon the buyer.

In Albany, 28th November, A. D. 1664.

Pieter Adriaense[1] [Soogemackelyk or Van Woggelum], one mare (*merrij paert*),..... *f* 65.00
as security, the person standing below, Lucas Gerryts.
Lucas Gerritse [*Wyngaard*].[2]

Pieter Bronck, one mare colt,..... *f* 115.00
[Sureties], *Cornelis Tonisen Bos.*
Daniel Ringhougt.

David Maries, a mare,..... *f* 150.00
(P^d on this 48 guilders in seewant, also paid 14 schepels of wheat.)
[Sureties], *Thomas Powell.*
This is the mark of JAN BRICKER, + with his own hand set.

Evert Luycassen [Backer], a stallion,..... *f* 62.00
[Surety], *Jochem Backer.*

Cornelis Segersen [Van Voorhoudt] Senior, a cow,..... *f* 75.00
[Surety], *Jacob Schermerhooren.*

Also Cornelis Segersen Senior, a heifer,..... *f* 90.00
Offered for sale again and bought by Jan Kloet.

Jan Cloet, a heifer,..... *f* 84.00
Surety, *Jan Heind* [?]

Heer Jeremias Van Renselaer, a young black bull,..... *f* 40.00
also a red white faced bull,..... *f* 55.00
[Surety], *Anthony Jansen.*

Poulus Martensen [Van Benthuysen],[3] an old cow, for..... *f* 32.00
[Sureties], *Jacob Tyes* [*Van Der Heyden*].[4]
Adrian Van Ilpendam.

Hans Caresen, an old gelding,..... *f* 36.00
[Surety], *Davidt Schuler.*[5]

Carried forward, ... *f* 804.00

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[1] Pieter Adrianse (Soegemackelyk), was innkeeper in Beverwyck. His father (or stepfather) Barent Janse Bal, was deceased in 1660, but his mother, Anna Pieterse, was living then. He was one of the early proprietors of Schenectady, but soon sold out his share to Helmer Otten and probably never resided there.

[2] Lucas Gerritse Wyngaard was a baker. He married Anna Janse Van Hoesen; made his will 30 Oct., 1709, and speaks of wife and five children then living.

[3] Paulus Martense Van Benthuysen had three sons, Baltus, Marten and Barent, who were heads of families, and perhaps daughters. His widow was living in 1717 on the corner of Beaver and South Pearl streets.

[4] Jacob Tyse Van Der Heyden was a tailor. He married his wife, Anna Hals, in Amsterdam, Holland, the 25 July, 1655. She outlived him, kept a public house and died in 1691, leaving, probably, but one son, Dirk, who raised a large family.

[5] David Schuyler, a brother of Philip Pieterse Schuyler, came from Amsterdam and married Catalyn Verplanck of New Amsterdam, 13 October, 1667. His widow was living in 1692 on the

Brought forward,..... *f* 804.00

Jacob Tyssen [Van Der Heyden], a young heifer,..... *f* 25.00
[Sureties], *Adrian Van Ilpendam.*
Jacob Lokermans.

Jan Henderickse Cruyn, a heifer of two years that is at present at Bethlehem, bought for..... *f* 52.00
As surety, *Johannes Clute.*

Jacob Loockermans,[1] an ox also bought as he at present stands there [in Bethlehem?], in the third year of his age,..... *f* 49.00
As surety, *Daniel Ringhougt.*

Eldert Gerbertsen,[2] a bull calf, six months old, at present at Pieter Bronck's where he shall receive it,..... *f* 10.00
[Surety], *Claas Janse* [*Van Boekhoven?*]

Gerrit Bancker, a calf of three months, at present at Pieter Bronck's, where he must receive it,..... *f* 7.00

[Total],..... *f* 937.00

On the 9th January, old style, sold at the house of Pieter Bronck a copper Kettle of Jantie, the Irishman, deceased, to Frans Pieterse[3] [Klauw] for *f* 12 in seewant.

Appeared before me Johannes Provoost, clerk of the jurisdiction of Albany, and in the presence of Gerrit Slichtenhorst[4] and Jacob Schermerhoorn, commissaries of the same jurisdiction, Jan Tomassen [Mingael] and Gerrit Bancker, citizens of the village of Albany, who declared that they had granted and conveyed, as, by these presents they do grant and convey, in real and actual possession, to and for the behoof of Pieter Claerbout, chorister (*voorsanger*) in the church here, his heirs or those who shall derive title from him, a house and lot, lying in said village, bounded on the north by the street, on the east by Cornelis Teunissen Bos[5] and on the west by Jan Van Aecken, in breadth in front on the street two rods and one foot and six inches, on the east in length six rods and three feet, on the north, in breadth one rod and six feet, on the west in length six rods and three feet; which house and lot the grantor received by conveyance from Rem Janssen Smit,[6] of date 3 August, A. D. 1660, and acknowledges that he is paid and satisfied for the sale and delivery of

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South corner of Broadway and Steuben street and was succeeded by her sons, Jacobus and Abraham. David Schuyler had five sons, Pieter, Jacobus, Abraham, David and Myndert, and perhaps daughters.

[1] In 1664 Jacob Loockermans was one of the commissioners to negotiate a treaty of peace between the Mohawks and northern Indians. In 1657 the sheriff brought a suit against him for having assaulted Meuwes Hoogenboom and split his face open from his forehead to his underlip with his knife; he was fined 300 guilders ($120) and further to pay for loss of time, bound and surgical attendance.— *Dutch Manuscripts*, XVI, 98, 102.

[2] Eldert Gerbertsen was twice prosecuted for defamation in 1657 and 1658.— *Dutch Manuscripts.*

[3] Frans Pieterse Clauw or Klauw was a carpenter. He settled in Kinderhook, where his two sons also resided — Hendrik and Juriaen.

[4] Son of Brant Arentse Slichtenhorst. See O'Callaghan's *History of New Netherland*, II, 69.

[5] Cornelis Teunisse Bos was complained of in 1658 for defaming the court, and in 1660 for calling Willem Teller a backbiter.— *Dutch Manuscripts*, X, 155, XVI, 214. In retaliation Cornelis brought an action against Wm. Teller for calling Jacob Tyse (Van Der Heyden) and himself a rabble.— *Dutch Manuscripts*, XVI, 159.

[6] Rem or Remmert Jansen Smit (blacksmith) was in New Amsterdam as early as 1643. Rem Jansen Smith of Waalebocht is complained of in 1663, by Adriaen Hegeman for carrying off his ploughshare; Rem is ordered to replace it in the spot where he found it, and if he have any claim to prosecute it at law.— *Dutch Manuscripts*, X, 327, 329.

these premises; wherefore he promises to free the same from all actions, demands or claims, which hereafter may come against the same, pledging his person and estate, personal and real, present and future, putting himself in subjection to all laws and judges.

Done in Albany the 7th of December, A. D. 1664, new style.

JAN TOMAS.
GERRET BANCKER.

Gerrit Slichtenhorst.
Jacob Schermerhooren.

Acknowledged before me,

JOHANNES PROVOOST, clerk.

Appeared before me Johannes Provoost, clerk of the village of Albany, and in presence of the honorable Gerrit Slichtenhorst and Jacob Schermerhooren, commissaries of the same jurisdiction, Pieter Claerbout, citizen of said village, who declared that he had granted and conveyed, as he does grant and convey by these presents, in real and actual possession, to and for the behoof of Rut Arentsen [Schoemaecker],[1] his heirs, or those who shall have title from him, a house and lot, lying in the village of Albany aforesaid, on the public highway, bounded on the north by the aforesaid highway, on the east by the grantor, on the west by Jan Coster van Aecken; in length three rods, nine feet, ten inches, breadth in front on the street eleven feet and seven inches, on the north [south?] in breadth seven feet, which lot is a part of the transfer made to him, the grantor, by Jan Tomassen and Gerrit Bancker, of date the 7th of this month, by virtue of which [transfer] his ownership is apparent: and he acknowledges further that he is paid and satisfied for the sale and delivery of these premises; wherefore he promises to free the aforesaid house and lot from all actions, demands or claims, which hereafter may come against them, pledging his person and estate, personal and real, and putting himself in subjection to all laws and judges.

Done in Albany the 17th of December, A. D. 1664, new style.

PIETER CLAERBOUDT.

Gerrit Slichtenhorst.
Jacob Schermerhooren.

Acknowledged before me,

JOHANNES PROVOOST, clerk.

Conditions and terms on which William Frederickse Bout[2] proposes to sell, at public sale, by virtue of the patent, his house and lot lying in the village of Albany, before this, named Beverwyck; bounded on the south side by Teunis Cornelisse, on the west side by the public highway, on the north by the heirs Jaques Tyssen,[3] on the east by the horse mill of the Heer Rensselaer. The aforesaid house and lot shall be delivered to the buyer, in length to within two feet of the aforesaid horse mill, and in breadth twenty-nine wood feet, front and rear, and that, free and unencumbered, except the Heer's right in consequence of the aforesaid patent, granted to Teunis Cornelise of date the 23d of April, A. D. 1652.

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[1] Rut Arentsen was in New Amsterdam perhaps in 1613-4.— *Dutch Manuscripts*, II, 130.

[2] Willem Frederickse Bout was an innkeeper, and was complained of in 1658 for evading the excise law: his liquor was seized.— *Dutch Manuscripts*, A, 118.

[3] Jacob Tyse Van Der Heyden.

Conditions and terms according to which William Frederickse Bout proposes to sell, at public sale, to the highest bidder, his house and lot, lying in the village of Albany, before this, named Beverwyck, bounded on the south side by Teunis Cornelise, on the west side by the public highway, on the north side by the heirs of Jaques Tyssen [Van Der Heyden], and on the east side by the horse mill of the Heer Jeremiah Van Renselaer. The house and lot shall be delivered to the buyer in length from the front on the street to within two feet of the aforesaid mill, and in breadth twenty-nine wood feet, front and rear, and that, free and unencumbered except the Heer's right; which is done by virtue of a patent of a greater lot granted to Teunis Cornelisse, of date the 23d of April, A. D. 1652; of which aforesaid house and lot the buyer with the last payment shall receive a proper conveyance, and the same shall begin with this date. Payment shall be made in three installments: the first installment fourteen days after this date, in beavers, or failing of beavers to be paid in good strung seewant, at 24 guilders the beaver; the second installment on the first day of August of this year 1665, new style; and the third installment on the first day of May, A. D. 1666, new style, and in currency as before. The buyer shall be holden to furnish two sufficient sureties as principals, jointly and severally, and that immediately, to the content of the seller. If the buyer can not furnish the said sureties in said time, then shall the aforesaid house and lot be offered for sale again at his cost and charge, and whatever less it comes to be worth, he shall be held to make good, and whatever more it becomes worth, he shall enjoy no profit therefrom. The auction fees become a charge on the buyer. After offering this property at public sale, one person, Jan Cloet, remained the bidder and buyer of the house and lot of Willem Bout, according to the above standing conditions, for the sum of three hundred and ninety guilders; for the payment of which Jurrian Teunissen[1] [Glazemaecker] and Dirk Wessels [Ten Broeck], stood sureties and as principals, jointly and severally, according to the conditions aforesaid.

Done in Albany, the 2nd of January, A. D. 1665, new style.

JOHANNES CLUTE.
JUREYAN TUNSEN.
DIERK WESSELS.[2]

On this date the 9th of January, A. D. 1665, old style, Frans Pieterse [Clauw], in presence of the honorable Jan Verbeeck and Gerrit Slichtenhorst, commissaries of Albany, and in the presence of Johannes Provoost, secretary, has measured the farm or cleared land of Pieter Bronck,[3] which is found to comprise one hundred and seventy-six

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[1] Jurian Teunise was a tavern keeper; in 1662 he applied for permission to keep a tavern at the mouth of Esopus kil, but was rejected. In 1660 he was fined 30 guilders for beating some of the magistrates at Mr. Dyckman's house; and was complained against for entertaining persons at night after the ringing of the bell, and fined 70 guilders.— *Dutch Manuscripts*, XVI, 211, 232.

[2] Major Dirk Wesselse Ten Broeck was a trader, born in 1642; he died in 1717. His wife, Christina Cornelise Van Buren, died in Albany in 1729. In 1715 they had eleven adult children living. Major Ten Broeck's house was on the east corner of James and State streets. In the family Bible his death is thus recorded: "1717 Den 13 Sept. in Roeloff's Jansen's kil is myn Vader Dirk Wesselse in den Heere gerust op syn bouwery op Roeloff Jansen's kil. De Heere geve hem een zalige opstandinge."

[3] This farm was at Coxsackie. Pieter Bronck came to Beverwyck in 1615 and built a tavern there in 1651: the third in that place then. He afterwards lived at Coxsackie, the creek at which place was called by the Dutch, Pieter Bronck's kil. He had two sons, Jan and Pieter.— *O'Callaghan's History of New Netherland*, I, 441.

morgens,[1] and one hundred and ten rods. In like manner the land of Jantien [Andriessen][2] the Irishman, deceased [was measured], which was sold off from the land of Pieter Bronck and he bought of said Bronck, and it amounted to sixty-nine morgens and 345 rods; lying in a square 345 rods long and 121 rods wide, front and rear; besides a lot for a homestead, lying next to Pieter Bronck, where he proposes to build, northeast of him [Bronck], and is 30 rods long and twenty rods wide, and which at the north is separated by the kil or a flat (*laeghte*). Also was measured a piece of land taken off from the aforementioned land of Pieter Bronck, which belonging to Anderies Hanssen[3] was granted to him by Pieter Bronck, and by Johnny (*Jantie*) the Irishman, deceased, a part; length on the south side 54 rods, and on the north 95 rods; breadth on the west 41 rods, and on the east 58 rods, and was estimated at 6 morgens and 100 rods. The calf pasture of Pieter Bronck measured 65 rods, as long as broad, being square, and contains 7 morgens and 25 rods *ut supra*.

Conditions: The guardians over the estate left by Dirckjen Pieterse, deceased, wife of Cornelis Vos; propose at once to sell, at public sale, some household stuff, whereof the payment shall be made in good strung merchantable seewant, and that in the time of 8 days, and conditioned that no one shall purchase by an offset of any debts, as the aforesaid household stuff by order of the honorable court is retired, and destined for the payment of the funeral expenses (*dootschult*). The auction fees become a charge on the buyer. Payment as aforesaid.

Done on the 6th of February, A. D. 1665, in Albany.

Rykert Van Rensselaer, a looking glass,	*f*	25.10
also a trammel chain with a pothanger,	*f*	24.00
also two andirons (*brandisers*),	*f*	27.00
Poulus Martenssen [Van Benthuysen], 2 old kettles,	*f*	10.00
also 3 white earthen bowls and a ditto salt cellar,	*f*	8.10
Luycas Pieterse [Coeymans],[4] a maul (?) (*kolft*),	*f*	5 00
Barent Pieterse [Coeymans], the miller, a shovel and tongs,	*f*	12.00
Barent Pieterse [Coeymans], a hammer, and chopping knife,	*f*	12.00
Jan Evertsen [Schoemaker],[5] a horn and knife,	*f*	4.00
Johannes Provoost, a chain and also other things (*en noch anders*),	*f*	12.00
Lowies Cobus, a spice box, a hand candlestick, etc.,	*f*	6.00
Anderies De Vos, a plate (*bort*), almanac, and 2 little pictures (*schildertien*),	*f*	4.00
Doctor (*Meester*) Adriaen, 3 tin plates and a liquor measure (*mutsje*),	*f*	10.00
Carried forward,	*f*	159.20

[1] A morgen, old Amsterdam measure, was 2.0076 acres, or 2 1-13 acres.

[2] Jan Andriessen Van Dublin leased a bouwerie in 1649, described as lying "north of Stoney Point, being the north half of the Flat."— *O'Callaghan's History of New Netherland*, I. 111.

[3] Andries Hanse Barheit, "yeoman of the great Flat neer Coxhachky."— *Deeds*, IV, 1692. His wife was Grietie, daughter of Tennis Tennisse Metselaer. She was not living in 1689, when Egbert Tennise (her brother?) became guardian to her four children.— *Annals of Albany*, I. 99, and *Deeds*, IV.

[4] For an account of the Coeymans family, see O'Callaghan's *History of New Netherland*, I. 155.

[5] In 1661, he was complained against for smuggling shoes.— *Dutch Manuscripts*, IX, 716.

Brought forward,	*f* 159.20
Henderick Rosenboom,[1] 4 plates and 3 spoons,	*f* 13.10
Cornelis Van Dyck, a tin platter,	*f* 15.00
also one ditto,	*f* 14.10
Barent Pieterse [Coeymans], one ditto,	*f* 11.00
Daniel Rinckhout, 2 platters, tin,	*f* 17.10
Henderick Rosenboom, 2 curtains and a valance,	*f* 14.10
Poulus Martense [Van Benthuysen], 2 valances,	*f* 8.10
Ryckert V. Renselaer, a floor cloth (*tajpeyt*),	*f* 33.00
Lambert Van Neck,[2] 2 women's pocket handkerchiefs,	*f* 28.00
Jan Evertse [Schoemaker], 2 funeral bands (*beffen*),	*f* 6.00
Willem [Frederickse] Bout, 2 bonnets (*kapers*, similar to those worn by Shakers),	*f* 4.00
Adrian Gerritse [Papendorp], a church [foot] stove (*kerckstooff*),	*f* 5.00
	f 330.10

The persons who have paid on the above standing sale.

Ryckert V. Renselaer,	*f* 109.10
Jan Evertse,	*f* 10.00
Lambert Van Neck,	*f* 18.00
Adrian Gerritse,	*f* 5.00
Adrian Van Ilpendam,	*f* 10.00
Hendrick Rosenboom,	*f* 28.00
Cornelis Van Dyck,[3]	*f* 29.10
Paulus Martense,	*f* 27.00
Lambert Van Neck, also,	*f* 10.00
D. Rinckhout,	*f* 17.10

Inventory of the goods and estate left by Tryntie Janssen, deceased, wife of Jan Michielsen[4] [Van Edam], taken the $\frac{11}{21}$ February, A. D. 1665.

A black *brat* (?) cloak and a stomacher with a grogram gown, being a black [one],	*f* 80.00
A black cloth bodice, a fur coat trimmed with black (*swart gebbant*), and a pair of sleeves, and a black curtain stuff (*brat*), worth,	*f* 50.00
A colored upper petticoat (*machajer*, striped goods worn by servants),	*f* 36.00
A blue gown (*dosyntiers* ?),	*f* 20.00
Carried forward,	*f* 186.00

[1] Hendrik Roseboom was the *voorlezer* and sexton of the church. He had two wives; the last marriage is thus recorded in the church register: "Hendrick Roseboom de onde, weduwenaar van Gysbertje Lansing, en Tryntje Janse, weduwe van Rut Jacobse [Van Schoenderwoert]," etc. They probably had four sons, Johannes, Gerrit, Hendrik, and Myndert. His last wife, Catharine Breestede, was the licensed midwife of the city.

[2] Lambert Van Neck was fined in 1656, for committing an assault.— *Dutch Manuscripts*, XVI. 40.

[3] Cornelis Van Dyck, son of Schout Fiscal Hendrik Van Dyck, studied medicine with Jacob D'Hinse, *chirurgeon* of Albany, and practiced his profession there until his death, which occurred about 1687. The name of his first wife is not known; his second wife was Elizabeth Beck, widow of captain Sylvester Salisbury. She survived Dr. Van Dyck, and in 1691 was married a third time to captain George Bradshaw. She was deceased in 1701. Dr. Van Dyck had two sons and two daughters; the former followed their father's profession; Hendrik settling in Albany and Jacobus in Schenectady.

[4] Jan Michielsen came over in 1637; he was a tailor.— *O'Callaghan's History of New Netherland*, I, 437.

Brought forward,	*f* 186.00
2 white aprons, 3 smocks, 2 table cloths, and small lot of articles (*perullen*), total,	*f* 30.00
2 pair of old stockings, and cap with a little box, and an old cap or two; one old cloak with loose sleeves, one bone lace pillow with bobbins,	*f* 12.00
3 earthern dishes, 6 little pictures, 1 little tin cup, 2 copper candlesticks, 1 tin salt cellar, and 3 tin cups, 4 tin platters, and 4 tin trenchers, a little tin basin, with five spoons,	*f* 56.00
A patched bed pan, 1 church stool,	*f* 28.00
A great iron pot, with a little copper pot, 3 little copper kettles, a copper pan (*pannekoeckx?*), 3 earthen pots, a pepper mill, a little earthern mug, an earthern and tin plate, a butter tub, a sieve,	*f* 60.00
A pothanger chain, a shovel and tongs, gridiron, pothooks, a pail,	*f* 32.00
4 chairs with a little table,	*f* 10.00
[Total],	*f* 414.00

Unvalued goods which Jan Michielse keeps at his house.
2 Sheets (*laecken*),
5 pillowbiers,
2 blankets (*deeckens*),
1 bed,
1 bolster, 2 pillows,
A chamberpot (*waterpot*),
2 curtains with a valence,
and for the chimney, one,
6 books, among which two old Bibles,
2 axes and an iron vise,
2 chests,
1 tailor's shears.

These appraised goods, Willem Janssen Schut has taken to himself for the maintenance of Jan Michielse [Van Edam], in board during his life, and at the decease of the aforesaid Willem Schut, the aforesaid goods shall be taken as a payment of the board of Jan Michielse at 200 guilders seewant per annum, and if they come short of paying the board money, Willem Schut shall not claim more; on condition that all work, mending and sewing, that Jan Michielse may do at the house of Willem Schut, shall not inure to his benefit, but shall be for the profit of the aforesaid Willem Schut; which they with their signatures attest (?) and promise to perform.

Done in Albany, the 21st of February, A. D. 1665; done in presence of Stoffel Janssen [Abeel][1] and Jacob Schermerhooren.

JAN MYCHGYELSOON.
WILLEM JANSEN SCHUIDT.

Jacob Schermerhooren.
Stoffel Janse.

Acknowledged before me,

J. PROVOOST, Secretary.

[1] Stoffel Janse Abeel was a master carpenter. His wife was Neeltie Janse; and he was brother-in-law of Tennis Cornelise Vander Poel and Adrian Gerritse Papendorp, who were his executors. His children were Magdalena, born 1653; Maria, born 1656; Johannes, born 1659; and Elizabeth. He was deceased in 1681.

Conditions and terms according to which the administrators of the estate of Jan Andriessen [the Irishman], with the Messieurs commissaries, propose to sell at public sale, to the highest bidder, the land of the said Irishman, lying near Pieter Bronk's [at Catskil]. *First.*—The aforesaid land shall be delivered to the seller, in area nine and sixty morgens arable land, without trees, or only a few about the woodside at the west, together with a spot for a homestead, lying next to Pieter Bronk's, where he was proposing to build, in length 30 rods and in breadth 20 rods, and is separated at the north [from Pieter Bronck], by a kil or flat (*laeghte*); moreover the buyer shall have the right, with Pieter Bronck, to use the surrounding woodland for pasturing cattle. Delivery shall be given so soon as the buyer shall please to take possession. Payment shall be made in beavers, or good strung commercial seawant, at 24 guilders a beaver, and in two installments; the first on the first day of June, of the year 1665; and the second on the first day of June, A. D. 1666, being a year thereafter, and with the last payment, a proper conveyance shall be given to the buyer. The buyer shall be held to furnish two sufficient sureties, jointly and severally, as principals, immediately, to the content of the seller. If the buyer can not furnish the aforesaid sureties in said time, the said land, together with said homestead, shall be offered for sale again at the buyer's cost and charge; and whatever less it comes to, he shall be holden to make good, and whatever more it comes to, he shall enjoy no profit therefrom. The per centage becomes a charge to the buyer in paying, as aforesaid, on the 9th of March, 1665. On the 9th of March, A. D. 1665, the schout and secretary of the colony of Renselaerswyck, for a certain consideration, being asked if they, in the name and behalf of the patroon, had any claim against the land of Johnny the Irishman, deceased, which lies by Pieter Bronck's, and they answered they had no claim whatever against the same.

Done *ut supra.* Which I witness.

JOHANNES PROVOOST, Secretary.

We, the undersigned, administrators and guardians of the estate of Dirkje Pieterse,[1] deceased, late wife of Cornelis Vos,[2] acknowledge that, in respect to the goods sold of said Dirkje deceased, they are paid and satisfied by the vendue master, Johannes Provoost.

Done on the $\frac{12}{22}$ March, A. D. 1665, in Albany.

ANDRYES DE VOS.

This is the mark of + BARENT PIETERSE [COEYMANS].[3]
with his own hand set.

Adriaen Gerritse [*Papendorp*], *witness.*

Appeared before me Johannes Provoost, secretary of Albany, and in the presence of Jan Verbeeck and Jacob Schermerhooren, magistrates of the jurisdiction of Albany aforesaid; Jochim Kettelheym,[4] citizen of said place, who declared that he had granted and conveyed, as by these pre-

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[1] Dirkje Pieterse Coeymans (?) was probably sister of Barent Pieterse Coeymans, *alias* Molenaer [Miller].

[2] Two years later (1667), Cornelis Vos or De Vos had married again, and was then called the son-in-law of Andries De Vos.—*Deeds*, II.

[3] For an account of the Coeyman family, see O'Callaghan's *History of New Netherland*, I, 435.

[4] Joachim Kettelhuyn came to Beverwyck in 1642, the first settler of this name in the county. By his wife, Anna (?), he had three sons: Willem, David, and Daniel, who had families. The name is now degenerated into Kittle.

sents he does grant and convey, in real and actual possession, to and for the behoof of Barent Meyndersen,[1] shoemaker here, his heirs or those who shall obtain title from him, a lot, lying in the village of Albany, lying over against the house of Gillis Pieterse[2] [Timmerman?], (and bounded) south and west by the king's highway, north by Aernout Cornelise [Vielè],[3] and to the east the grantor, and is in breadth, front and rear, nine and twenty feet, Rynland measure, and in length forty and a half feet, which lot is a part of the patent, given to the grantor by the director general and council of New Netherland of date 25 Oct., A. D. 1653; moreover the grantor promises to free said lot from all actions, claims, and demands, which hereafter may come against the same, binding his person and estate, real and personal, present and future, and submitting himself to all laws and judges.

Done in Albany, 19th of Feb., old style, 1665.

This is the mark W of Jochim Kettelheym,
with his own hand set.

Jan Verbeeck.
Jacob Schermerhooren.

Acknowledged before me,

J. Provoost, Secretary.

Appeared before me Johannes Provoost, secretary of Albany, and in the presence of Jan Verbeeck and Jacob Schermerhooren, magistrates of the jurisdiction of Albany aforesaid; Jochim Kettelheym, citizen of said place, who declared that he had granted and conveyed, as by these presents he does grant and convey, in real and actual possession, to and for the behoof of Jacob Abrahamse,[4] cooper [kuyper Vosburgh?], his heirs, or assigns a lot, lying in Albany, bounded on the west by the street, on the east by the grantor's lot, on the north by the grantor's house, and on the south by the house of Arnout Cornelise [Viele]; in length three rods nine feet and seven inches, breadth one rod eight feet and an inch, which lot is a part of a patent given to the grantor by the director general and council of New Netherland, of date 25 Oct., A. D. 1653; wherefore he promises to free the same from all actions, claims and demands, which hereafter may come against the same, binding his person and estate, personal and real, present and future, putting himself in subjection to all laws and judges.

Done in Albany, 19th Feb., 1665, old style.

This is the mark of W Jochim Kettelheym,
with his own hand set.

Jan Verbeeck.
Jacob Schermerhooren.

Acknowledged before me,

J. Provoost, Secretary.

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[1] Barent Myndertse was born in 1627 (*Notarial Papers*), and died about 1689, when Pieter Vosburgh administered on his estate. It is not known that he left any descendants, those of this name in this vicinity having descended from *Myndert* Frederickse.

[2] Gillis Pieterse owned a lot in 1657 behind Fort Orange, next to Do. Schaets's lot. p. 59.

[3] Arnout Cornelise Viele was Indian interpreter for many years at all the great meetings held by the natives in Albany, and was held in high esteem by them. His son, Arnout, was carried away captive by the French and Indians in 1690, when Schenectady was sacked, and was absent three years before his return. He also became an Indian interpreter.

[4] Jacob Abrahamse Vosburgh, probably.

Appeared before me Johannes Provoost, Secretary of Albany, Jochim Kettelheym of the one part, and Gabriel Tomassen of the other part, who in the presence of the afternamed witnesses, declare that they have come to an agreement in the manner following, namely, Jochim Kettelheym lets, by these presents, his house to said Gabriel Tomassen,[1] except the cellar belonging to the above house, and that for the time of six months, commencing on the first of May next, new style, and ending on the last day of October, new style, for which Gabriel Tomassen promises to pay Jochim Kettelheym for the hire during said six months, nine pieces of good whole merchantable beaver skins, and that upon the first of August, new style, next coming; wherefore the respective parties for the performance of these covenants, put themselves in subjection to all laws and judges.

Thus done, without craft or guile, on this $\frac{18}{28}$ of April, A. D. 1665, in presence of Arent Vanden Berg, as witness, hereto called. Done in Albany.

This is the mark W of JOCHIM KETTELHEYM,
with his own hand set.
This is the mark + of GABRIEL TOMASSEN,
with his own hand set.
This is the mark of A B *Arend Van Bergh, with his own hand set.*

Acknowledged before me,

JOHANNES PROVOOST, Secretary.

Inasmuch as Jan Clute,[2] and Jan Hendrickse Bruyn, and Juriaen Teunise [Glazemaecker], have shown at the session of the court at Albany, the consent, at their request, of the governor of New York and of the Indians, to purchase a certain parcel of land, lying on the west side of the North river, over against the Claverrack, near Fort Albany, so there have appeared before him the underwritten, secretary of Albany, five Indians (*wilden*), namely: Sachamoes, Mawinata, *alias* Schermerhoorn, Keesie Wey, Papeuna, Masseha, owners of the above mentioned land, and also having a commission from the other owners; who declared, in the presence of the after named witnesses, that they had sold, granted and conveyed, as by these presents they do grant and convey, in real and actual possession, to the behoof of the aforesaid Jan Cloet and Jan Hendrickse Bruyn, the said land, called Caniskek; in magnitude stretching along the river side from the land of Pieter Bronck to the vale, which lies on the point of the mainland, behind the Beeren island, named Machawaneck, and so running into the woods, both on the south and the north, even to the Katskil path; and that for a certain sum in goods (*caryasoen*) which the grantors acknowledge that they have received from the buyers and therewith are completely paid; and [said grantors] waive their former

[1] In 1662 Gabriel Thomase Stridles hired out to Thomas Powell, for two years, at bread-making for 22 beavers ($70.40) and found. In 1665 he hired a house of Jochim Kettelhuyn, and probably commenced business for himself. He had four children baptized in Albany, and two in New York, whither he removed about 1690. He died there in 1718.

[2] Captain John Clute came to Beverwyck, about 1656; he was a trader and considerable landholder at Loonenburgh (now Athens), Niskayuna, Albany, etc., and had great influence with the Indian inhabitants. It is not known that he had any family. He came originally from Neuremburg; and, on his death, about 1683, his property passed to his nephew, Johannes Clute, the *bosbooper*.

title [to said land], and declare Jan Clute and Jan Hendrickse [Bruyn][1] to be the rightful owners thereof; and promise to free said land from all actions, claims and demands of other Indians, who might sinisterly lay claim to some portion of said land, or the right to set deer traps.

Done in Albany in the presence of Harmen Bastiaense [Visscher] and Hendrick Gerritse as witnesses hereto called, on this 20th of April, A. D. 1665, old style.

This is the mark of KEESIEWEY +, with his own hand set.

This is the mark of SACHAMOES with his own hand set.

This is the mark of PAPEUNA with his own hand set.

This is the mark of MASSEHAS with his own hand set.

This is the mark of MAWINATA *alias* Schermerhorn, with his own hand set.

Harmen Bastiaense, as witness.
Hendrick Gerritsen [Van Wie], as witness.

Acknowledged before me,

JOHANNES PROVOOST, Secretary.

Appeared before me Johannes Provoost, secretary of the jurisdiction of Albany, in the presence of Capt. John Manning,[2] one of the Mohican Indians, named Wattawit, owner of a certain parcel of land lying behind Kinderhook, who declared in the presence of Jan Dareth,[3] interpreter, that he had sold, granted and conveyed to Evert Luycasse [Backer],[4] as by these presents he does [grant and convey] his aforesaid land lying on the east side of the kil, being the half of the middle piece; the other half he declared he gave to Volckert Janse [Douw], and had presented it to him as a token of his friendship and in satisfaction of an old debt for maize; also the grantor waives his [claim] to said middle piece on the east of the kil, declaring Evert Luycasse and Volckert Janse to be the rightful owners of the same, and acknowledges that he has had of Evert Luycasse perfect satisfaction for his part, and [promising] to free it from all claims and demands which hereafter may be [made against the same].

Done in Fort Albany the 6th of May, A. D. 1665, old style.

This is the mark of WATTAWIT with his own hand set.

Musquaemseeck *his mark with his own hand set, as witness.*

Oramp O *his mark made with his own hand set, as witness.*

Jan Dareth.
John Manning.

Acknowledged before me,

JOHANNES PROVOOST, Secretary.

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[1] Jan Hendrickse Bruyn, or De Bruyn, had an uncertain residence. In 1678, in answer to the sheriff forbidding him to trade with the Indians on the ground that he was a New Yorker, he alleged that he had been a burgher of Albany for upwards of twenty years, notwithstanding the court adjudged that he should be prohibited from trade because he had not kept "fire and light" in Albany for one whole year; to which Bruyn protested.— *English Manuscripts.*

[2] Capt. John Manning was sheriff of New York at this time.

[3] Jan Dareth from Utrecht, married Ryckje Van Dyck in New Amsterdam, in 1651, and in 1657 bought a house and lot in Beverwyck, where he became a permanent resident.

[4] Evert Luycasse Backer, was in Beverwyck as early as 1657. In 1680, with Laurens Van Alen, he petitioned for an additional tract of land behind Kinderhook.— *English Manuscripts.*

Appeared before me Johannes Provoost, secretary of the jurisdiction of Albany, and in the presence of the after named witnesses, Jan Gerritsen Van Marcken,[1] who declared by these presents that he had granted and conveyed to and for the behoof of Harmen Rutgers[2] and Volckert Janse [Douw],[3] the following sums of money seewant (drawn off from the assignor's account book), to be received from the under mentioned persons, making payment to him, Jan Gerritsen Van Marcken, by a deduction of such a sum of money as he owes to the aforesaid Harmen Rutgers and Volckert Janse, provided said Harmen Rutgers and Volckert Janse hold open the suits of those persons from whom they can collect no money by reason of a denial of debt or a failure to pay; but these shall remain as a charge to the assignor; promising this assignment truly to keep under a pledge of their persons and estates, personal and real.

The debtors or assigned sums are these:

Kleyn de Goyer [the thrower],	*f*	37.13
Henderick Hendericksen[4] [Bakker],	*f*	18.10
Poulus Cornelissen,[5]	*f*	18.08
ditto, also some money detained by him belonging to Kleyn Keesie [little Cornelius],	*f*	00.00
Jan [Roeloffse] de Goyer,	*f*	91.08
Pieter the Frenchman,[6]	*f*	89.02
Hendrick the Spaniard,	*f*	25.12
Hans the Norman,	*f*	6.13
Jan the little cooper,[7]	*f*	81.02
Tys Barentse,[8]	*f*	9.17
Poutien the sash-maker,	*f*	13.08
Storm Albertse [Bratt],[9]	*f*	9.00
Pieter Bronck,	*f*	6.08
Jan Nak,[10]	*f*	38.02
Elias Van Ravensteyn,	*f*	17.17

[1] Jan Gerritse Van Marcken and his wife, Geertje Haybertse, came over in the ship St. Jacob, in 1654. In 1657 he was at Fort Casimir, where he received a patent for a lot; from thence he came to Beverwyck about 1659. He was farmer of the excise at Fort Orange 1662, and in 1673 he was appointed sheriff of Schenectady, where he resided several years.

[2] Harmen Rutgers was a brewer. In 1678, Richard Pretty, collector of the excise at Albany, entered a complaint against him for defrauding the excise and selling beer to the Indians, and after considerable litigation the complaint was withdrawn. He was living in Albany as late as 1702.—*English Manuscripts.*

[3] Capt. Volkert Janse Douw, the first settler of the name in Beverwyck, was there as early as 1638. He and Jan Tomase Mingael, received, in 1661, a conveyance from the Indians of a tract of land at Schodac. He was deceased in 1686. His wife Doretee (*Deortje*, or Dorothy) died 22d Nov., 1701. They had four sons, Jonas, Hendrik, Volkert and Andries, all of whom left families in Albany. Col. Douw first located on Papsknae island, and had three houses and a brewery there about 1666, when an extraordinary freshet swept everything away, houses, cattle, and all his personal property, including his papers and records; the family barely escaping with their lives.

[4] Henderick Hendericksen, the baker, was fined and prohibited from following his trade in Beverwyck, in 1656, because he sold bread below the regular weight.

[5] Paulus Cornelise was in Beverwyck in 1658. In 1651, he, with Jan Cornelise Vander Heyden, was agent for Maritie Myndertse, widow of Jan Barentse Wemp.

[6] Perhaps Pieter De Garmean, *alias* Villeroy.

[7] Jan Janse Ouderkerk was called *smalle kuyper*. He lived on the north side of Yonker now State street. His wife was Neeltie Clause, widow of Henderick Gardenier of Schenectady. They had four daughters, but no sons.

[8] Tys Barentse Schoonmaker Van Edam, came to Beverwyck in 1636.

[9] Storm Alberts Bratt, *alias* Vanderzee, son of Andriese Bratt De Noorman, was born at sea in a storm, hence he was called Storm Vanderzee, and many, if not all of his descendants, assumed the latter name. In 1662, he was complained of for smuggling in New Amsterdam.

[10] Jan Nak, trader and gunstocker, from Utrecht, came to Beverwyck about 1663. He married Catharina Roomers of New York, the same year. They had one son, Matthys, who also settled in Albany.

Albert De Norman,[1]	*f*	15.10
Claes Jansen,	*f*	31.19
Claes Vanden Bergh,[2]	*f*	3.16
Claes Van Rotterdam,	*f*	26.19
Luycas Pieterse [Coeymans],[3]	*f*	31.07
Sander Leendertse [Glen],	*f*	13.06
William Martense Moer [negro ?],	*f*	21.10
William Hoffmeyer,	*f*	10.04
Paulus de Boer [the boor],	*f*	11.00
Walrave Claerhout,	*f*	3.15

The said assignor, Jan Gerritsen, also by these presents, appoints and empowers the aforesaid Harmen Rutgers and Volckert Janse the aforesaid sums to collect, demand and receive; acquittance to pass for receipts, and in case of neglect payment to exact by law, and the severity of justice to a definitive sentence and execution. Thus done [without] craft or guile on this $\frac{7}{17}$ June, 1665, in Albany, in presence of Gerrit Swart [1] and Jan Bastiaense van Gutsenhoven as witnesses called hereto.

J. G. V. MARCKEN.

G. Swart.
Jan Bastiaensen Van Gutsenhooven.

Appeared before me Johannes Provoost, secretary of Albany, and in the presence of Jan Van Aken and Jacob Schermerhoorn, commissaries of the same jurisdiction, Teunis Cornelissen,[5] who declared that he had granted and conveyed, as by these presents he does grant and convey, in real and actual possession to and for the behoof of Jan Evertse,[6] his heirs or assigns, a house and lot lying in the town of Albany, bounded on the north by Symon Volckertse [Veeder, *alias* De Backer],[7] and on the south by Willem [Frederickse] Bout, on the east by the street; of such magnitude as the grantor possesses, and as it lies encompassed by the fence between the said Willem Bout and Symon Volckers, with a garden in the rear as it also lies in fence, being the whole patent, given to the grantor by the director general and council of New Netherland, of date April 23d, A. D. 1652, about seven rods in breadth, and in length to the fence of the garden, which was separated and sold to the behoof of Jacques Tyssen, deceased,[8] and Willem Bout; further the grantor waives all his title or claim [to said house and lot], and also acknowledges that he is completely paid and satisfied for the aforesaid house, lot and garden, with the number of two and twenty beavers, and promises the grantee to free the same from all claims and demands, which may hereafter come against

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[1] Albert Andriesse Bratt. For an account of him, see O'Callaghan's *History of New Netherland*, I, 435.

[2] Three brothers (?) Van den Berg settled in Beverwyck, viz: Gysbert, Gerrit and Claas, all of whom left sons. Claas had at least one son, Cornelis, who married Susanna Ouderkerk, and had a family of six children.

[3] For an account of the Coeyman's family, see O'Callaghan's *History of New Netherland*, I, 435.

[4] Gerrit Swart was appointed sheriff of Rensselaerswyck in 1652, and held the office until 1670.—*O'Callaghan's History of New Netherland*, II. 181.

[5] This was so common a name that it is impossible to know what was his surname.

[6] One Jan Evertse [Schoemaker], was complained of for smuggling shoes in 1661.—*Dutch Manuscripts.*

[7] Symon Volkertse Veeder, *alias* De Backer, was among the earliest settlers of Schenectady. All those who bear this name in this vicinity are his descendants.

[8] Jacques Tyssen Van der Heyden ?

the same; binding his person and estate, personal and real, present and future, and submitting himself to all judges and laws.

Done in Albany, the $\frac{18}{28}$ July, A. D. 1665.

This is the mark of TEUNIS CORNELISSE,

with his own hand set.

Jan Koster [*Van Aken*].

Inventory of the goods of Jan Reyersen,[1] deceased, taken on the yacht of Gerrit Visbeeck,[2] $\frac{18}{28}$ July, A. D. 1665.

Found in a great chest.

1 tin mug, 1 tin cup, 3 spoons, 1 tin beaker,
1 tankard-tin, 1 smoothing iron, 1 little copper pan,
1 chopping knife, 1 tin platter, 2 copper basins,
1 iron candlestick, 2½ ells of red calico (*dosyntiens*),
2 prs. new Icelandish stockings,
2 prs. old ditto,
1 valance with 2 curtains,
35 articles, caps, neckkerchiefs, *santees*[3] and handkerchiefs, 3 shirts of coarse cloth, and a parcel of old ragged clothes,
an iron pot with a cook pan,
1 salt box and a candle box,
1 pothook, 2 forks, with a handle (*een greep*),
3 *sichten* with a *mathoeck*,[4] 1 *schinckel*[5] of a waggon,
4 old horseshoes, 2 iron wedges,
1 bail of a pail, 1 old spade, 1 copper kettle,
2 iron bands for a cart, 3 axes,
1 mattock, 1 pail, 2 torch holders,
1 ploughshare, 1 sack of wheat meal,
1 butter pot (?) with some butter therein,
1 little tub of corn meal,
1 great earthern pot of peas (?),
1 bed bolster, and 2 pillows and a blanket,
1 milk tub, 1 empty tub, 1 old wooden bowl,
1 small basket (*mantie*) and pot of fresh butter,
a white coverlet.

Appeared before me Johannes Provoost, secretary of Albany, and in presence of Jacob Schermerhooren and Jan Van Aken, magistrates of the same jurisdiction, Claes Janse Timmerman, citizen here, who declared that he had granted and conveyed, as by these presents he does grant and convey, in real and actual possession, to and for the behoof of Andries Jochimsen, dwelling at New York, his heirs or assigns, a house and lot[6]

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[1] Jan Reyersen came to Beverwyck in 1637. He succeeded Rykert Rutgersen in the possession of the Bethlehem island in 1652, and gave his name to it.— *O'Callaghan's History of New Netherland*, I. 437.

[2] Gerrit Visbeeck, in 1672, sold land in Claverack to Jan Hendrik Van Salsbergen.— *English Manuscripts.*

[3] *Santee*, or *gezondheid*, is a flannel worn about the abdomen and loins, as a sanitary bandage.

[4] These compose an instrument used in cutting buckwheat.

[5] This belongs to a peculiar kind of wagon, used only in two or three provinces of Holland, and is of iron.

[6] This lot was on the east side of North Pearl street, second south of Steuben, and ran through to James street in the rear.

lying in the village of Albany, bounded on the north by Jan Verbeeck's, to the south by Stoffel Jánse [Abeel],[1] east and west by the street; breadth front and rear thirty wood feet, and length one hundred and fifty-two wood feet and a half, which lot is a part of the patent granted by the director general and council to Jan Tomasse [Mingael ?] of date 23d of April, A. D. 1652; and the grantor acknowledged that he was fully satisfied and paid for the sale and conveyance of the same, and therefore he promises the aforesaid house and lot to free from all actions, claims and demands which hereafter may be made; binding his person and estate, personal and real, present and future, putting himself in subjection to all laws and judges.

Done in Albany the 3d of August, A. D. 1665, old style.

CLAES JANSE.

Jacob Schermerhooren.
Jan Koster [*Van Aken*].

Appeared before me Johannes Provoost, secretary of the jurisdiction of Albany, and in the presence of Hon. Jacob Schermerhooren and Jan Coster Van Aecken, magistrates of the same jurisdiction, Jochim Wesselse Backer, citizen of the aforesaid place, who declared that by virtue of a conveyance from Francis Boon, 17th July, 1664, he had granted and conveyed, as by these presents he does grant and convey, in real and actual possession to and for the behoof of David Pieterse Schuyler, his heirs, or those who may receive title from him, a house and lot lying in the village of Albany, bounded on the east, west and south by the king's highway, and on the north the house of Gillis Pieterse,[2] and of such size as it lies inclosed in fence, with all the right and jurisdiction which he, the grantor, has therein, which lot was granted by patent to Jacob Hendrickse Sibinck and Stoffel Janse [Abeel], of date 25th October, A. D. 1653; and the grantor acknowledges that he is paid and fully satisfied for the sale and delivery, and therefore promises to free the aforesaid house and lot from all actions, claims or demands, which hereafter may be made; pledging his person and estate, personal and real, present and future, submitting the same to all laws and judges.

Done in Albany the 8th of August, 1665, old style.

JOCHEM BACKER.

Jacob Schermerhooren.
Jan Koster [*Van Aken*].

Conditions and terms, according to which the administrators of the effects of the late Jan Reyersen propose to sell to the highest bidder at a public sale, two horses and two calves, two old heavy (*loggen*) hogs, together with some other articles of farming utensils and furniture. The payment for the beasts, horses and hogs, also the bed, bolster and pillows, shall be made in good whole merchantable beavers, and that on the first of June, A. D. 1666, or otherwise in good strung seewant, beaver's price, at 24 guilders the beaver, which last payment shall be made on the 1st of

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[1] Stoffel Janse Abeel, master carpenter, was in Beverwyck in 1662, perhaps earlier, and died before 1684. He made his will 4th December, 1670, and then speaks of the following children: Magdalena, 17 years old; Maria, 14 years old; Johannes, 11 years old, and Elizabeth. His wife's name was Neeltje Janse Croon.

[2] Gillis Pieterse Timmerman.

April, next coming; as it respects the farming utensils or furniture, they shall be paid for within three days from date in good strung seewant. The auction fees become a charge upon the buyer, in payments as aforesaid. Besides it is expressly conditioned that no one shall purchase by offsetting moneys, which may be due him from said Jan Reyersen, deceased, but shall deliver the purchase money into the hands of the vendue master, and await for a *pro rata* division. The buyer shall be holden to furnish two sufficient sureties, jointly and severally, as principals for the purchase money, to the content of the seller.

Done the 31 Aug., 1665.

Teunis Cornelise [Van Vechten], remained the buyer of an old mare, according to the above standing conditions, for the sum of one hundred and sixty-seven guilders.

This is the mark of TEUNIS CORNELISE,

with his own hand set.

As sureties stood Jan Verbeeck and Dirk Teunisse.

JAN VERBEECK.

DIRCK TEUNISSE [VAN VECHTEN].

Cornelis Segersen [Van Voorhoudt] remained the last bidder and buyer of a young mare for the sum of one hundred and eighty-four guilders, and Jan [Janse] Oothout[1] and Cornelis Cornelisse [Vielè] stood sureties for him, according to the foregoing conditions.

CORNELIS SEEGERS.

JAN JANSEN OOTHOET.

This is the mark + of CORNELIS CORNELISSE [VIELÈ].[2]

with his own hand set.

Cornelis Van Nes[3] remained the buyer of an old cow for the sum of seventy guilders, and Abram Staets and Jan Koster [Van Aken], stood sureties for him, according to the foregoing conditions.

CORNELIS VAN NES.

ABRAM STAAS.

JAN KOSTER.

[Note]. The 7 April, 1668, Cornelis Van Nes has paid 9 beavers and *f* 1 13.10 in seewant, so that there still remains *f* 18 in beavers. 30 May, Van Nes has paid off the *f* 18 in beavers.

Teunis Dirricxse [Van Vechten][5] remained the buyer of a young cow,

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[1] Jan Janse Oothout was a brewer in Greenbush, and made his will 13 March, 1687-8, and letters of administration were issued to his sons, Hendrik and Jan, 3 Jan., 1695-6. (*Wills*, I). He left six children, three sons and three daughters.

[2] Cornelis Cornelise Vielè owned the lot on the west corner of State and South Pearl streets, which in 1673 he sold to Richard Pretty. A little before this (1668), he bought a bouwery in Schenectady, and settled there. In 1671 he had license to tap strong drink in Schenectady.— *Gen. Entr.*, IV, 83.

[3] Cornelis Hendrikse Van Ness came to Beverwyck in 1642. His first wife was a daughter of Jan Janse Oothout, the brewer of Greenbush, by whom he had three sons: Henderick, Jan, and Gerrit, and perhaps daughters. His second wife was widow Maritie Damens, whose two former husbands were Dirk Van Eps, and Hendrik Andriese Van Doesburgh.

[4] Florin, equivalent to guilder, i. e., 40 cts.

[5] Teunis Dirkse Van Vechten is said to have come to Beverwyck in 1638, with wife, child, and two servants, and had a farm at Greenbush. Four of his children were living in 1700, viz.: Dirk Teunisse, Cornelis, Gerrit, and Pietertje, who married Myndert Frederickse Smith.

for the sum of eighty guilders, and Jan Koster [Van Aken], and Jan Oothout stood as sureties, according to the foregoing conditions.

The mark of THEUNIS + DIRRIXSE, with his own hand set.
JAN KOSTER.
JAN JANSEN OOTHOUET.

Jan Verbeeck remained the buyer of a bull calf for thirteen guilders, and Goosen Gerritse [Van Schaick], stood as surety, according to the above conditions.

JAN VERBEECK.
GOOSEN GERRITSEN.

Ryck Claes [Van Vranken],[1] remained the buyer of a boar (*beerverke*), and that for nine guilders, and Barent Reyndersen[2] stood as surety, according to the above conditions.

RYCK CLAESSEN.
BARENT REYNDERSEN.

Jan Evertse remained the buyer of a bull calf for eleven guilders; surety therefor Cornelis Bos.

The mark of JAN + EVERTS, with his own hand set.

Cornelis Van Nes was the buyer of a sow, for twenty guilders.

Symon [Volkertse Veeder De] Backer[3] remained the buyer of a sow for four and twenty guilders; surety therefor Wouter Arentse.

The mark of SYMON + VOLKERTSE, by him set.
The mark of + WOUTER ARENTSE, by him set.

Gerrit Bancken became the buyer of a boar for eight guilders.

Cornelis Theunissen Bos became the buyer of a little boar for eleven guilders.

GERRIT BANCKER.
HARMEN VEDDER.[4]

Jan Janse Ouderkerk became the buyer of a bed with its appurtenances for eight and fifty guilders; sureties therefor, Storm Albertse [Bratt] and Eldert Gerbertse.

JAN JANSE OUDERKERK.[5]
ELDERT GERBERTSE CRUIFF.[6]
STORM VAN DER ZEE.[7]

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[1] Two brothers, Gerrit and Ryckert Claes Van Vranken, sons of Claas Van Vranken, early bought land in Niskayuna. From these have descended the families of the name in this vicinity.

[2] Barent Reyndersen bought a house and lot in Beverwyck in 1657,— *Deeds*, I, 77. 161.

[3] Symon Volkertse Veeder De Backer, was one of the early settlers of Schenectady. He had four sons: Peter, Gerrit, Johannes, and Volkert, all of whom left families; also three daughters. The seven he speaks of in his will, made Jan. 8th, 1696–7.

[4] Harmen Albertse Vedder was also one of the first settlers of Schenectady, where he bought a bouwery in 1672. Previously he was a trader in Albany. He had five sons and one daughter, all of whom were living in 1715, and heads of families.

[5] Jan Janse Ouderkerk, "de smalle kuyper," lived on the north side of Yonker, now State street.

[6] In 1657, Eldert Gerbertse Cruiff was prosecuted for defaming Ulderick Kleyn's wife; the next year he was again brought before the court for calling Jochim Kettlehuyn a thief.— *Dutch Manuscripts.*

[7] Storm Albertse Vander Zee, *alias* Bratt, was the son of Albert Andriese Bratt De Noorman, who settled early in Beverwyck, and gave the name to the Norman's kil. Storm was born in a storm at sea, and hence he was called Storm Van der Zee, which name he and his descendants have since borne.— *O'Callaghan's History of New Netherland*, I, 433–4.

Goods of Jan Ryersen, deceased, sold at public sale, to be paid for in good strung seewant, in the space of three days:

Jan Janse Ouderkerk, debit,

1 chopping knife and some other things,	*f*	8.00
1 coverlet,	*f*	20.00
		28.00

Symon [Veeder] De Backer, debit,

1 coverlet,	*f*	26.00

Jan Evertse Schoonmaker, debit,

1 coverlet,	*f*	16.00

Young Keesie [Cornelius], debit,

a pot hanger and a pan,	*f*	18.00
a plough share and *schinckels* for a cart,	*f*	20.00

Poulus Martense [Van Benthuysen],[1]

1 pot (?) with a little butter therein,	*f*	10.10
some trumpery for,	*f*	6.00
1 old box,	*f*	7.00
a parcel of old linnen,	*f*	8.00
		31.10

Meester (Doctor) Cornelius Van Dyck,[2]

an old kettle and salt tub,	*f*	12.00

Cornelis Teunisse Bos, debit,

4 horse shoes, two wedges, and other things for,	*f*	26.00
also some trumpery,	*f*	27.00
to linnen goods,	*f*	11.07
		64.07

Dirck Wesselse [Ten Broeck], debit,

a can,	*f*	5.00

Jacob Flodder [*alias* Gardenier],[3]

3 *sichten* and two torch holders,	*f*	16.10
also to a bolster,	*f*	20.00
	f	36.10

Jan Cornelise, 1 grindstone,	*f*	29.00
Jacob Engel, 2 axes, and an adze,	*f*	16.00
Jan Gauw, 1 bag of maize meal, and one tub of wheat meal,	*f*	12.10

[1] Paulus Martense Van Benthuysen was the first of his name in Beverwyck. He had three sons: Baltus, Barent, and Marten, who settled in Schenectady. They all left families.

[2] Doctor Van Dyck was a son of Hendrik Van Dyck, of New Amsterdam, who was Gov. Stuyvesant's schout fiscal for a time. Cornelius studied medicine with Jacob D'Hinse, who gave him a certificate of four years' study in the business of *chirurgie.*— *Notarial Papers*, i, p. 91. In 1687, he was deceased. He had two wives: the last, Elizabeth Beck, widow of Capt. Sylvester Salisbury. He left two sons, Hendrick and Jacobus, both physicians, and two daughters.

[3] Jacob Flodder, *alias* Gardenier, came to Beverwyck in 1638, as servant to Claes Janse Ruyter.— *O'Callaghan's History of New Netherland*, i, 438. He had two wives: the first, Josyna .....; and the second, Barentie Stractsmans, who was his wife in 1674. She had previously been the wife of Coenraedtse Backer. In 1688, she was a widow again with fifteen living children, ten by her first husband and five by the last, and her estate was to be divided into fifteen parts, one for each.

Eldert Gerbertse [Cruiff],
a piece of calico (*dosyntiens*),..... *f* 49.00
[Note.] paid through Marcels Janse [Van Bommel] a tun of beer, *f* 28; further, paid to the citizens (*burgerij*) *f* 28.

Jan Clute,
one kettle, and some iron work,..... *f* 13.10
one little pan and basin,..... *f* 19.00

f 32.10

Frans Jansen,[1] debit,
1 pair of curtains,..... *f* 11.00
2 copper scales and other things,..... *f* 6.00

f 17.00

Mary Hoffmeyer,[2]
1 pewter can, 1 platter,..... *f* 25.00
Cornelis Wyncoop,
a coat and some rubbish for,..... *f* 15.10
Adriaen Van Ilpendam,
1 chest,..... *f* 25.00

[Total],..... *f* 507.07

On the $\frac{13}{23}$ October, delivered to the administrators of the estate of Jan Reyersen the sum of,..... *f* 398.07
deduct for Cornelis Teunis Bos, deceased, which was not paid because of his death,..... *f* 67.11

f 330.16
To young Kees [Cornelis], for forage for the beasts,..... *f* 6.00

f 336.16

Terms and conditions on which Willem Hoffmeyer proposes to sell, at once at public sale to the highest bidder, some furniture and goods, together with two cows, for which the payment shall be made on Monday next, without longer delay, the furniture in good strung seewant, and the cows in good whole merchantable beaver's skins; also the great shot gun. The buyer shall be held to furnish sufficient sureties for the purchase money. The auction fees in payment, to be a charge on the buyer.

Done the $\frac{13}{23}$ October, 1665, Albany.

Hendrick Meese [Vrooman],[3] a gun, for seewant,..... *f* 16.00
Daniel Rinckhout, a straw cutter (*suybanck*,)..... *f* 15.00

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[1] Frans Janse Pruyn is the first of the name who settled in Albany. In 1699, he could not take the oath of allegiance, etc., because he was a papist.—*Annals of Albany*, III, 280. In 1703, he owned a lot on the east corner of James street and Maiden lane.—*Annals of Albany*, IV, 183.

[2] Perhaps the wife of Willem Hoffmeyer.

[3] Hendrik Meese, one of the brothers Vrooman, early settled in Schenectady. He had two sons, Jan and Adam, from whom have descended all the families of the name in this vicinity. Hendrik Meese was killed Feb. 9, 1690, in the sack of Schenectady, by the French and Indians.

Terms and conditions on which Sieur Cornelis Steenwyck [1] proposes to sell at public sale to the highest bidder his house and lot lying in village of Albany, on the hill, between Harmen Vedder's and Barent Reyndersen's.

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[This paper is imperfect and unexecuted].

Terms and conditions according to which Sieur Cornelis Steenwyck proposes to sell at public sale to the highest bidder his house and lot lying in the village of Albany, on the hill, between Harmen Vedder's and Barent Reyndersen's, as it was received by him by conveyance from Rutger Jacobsen, deceased, of date 7 Aug., 1662, new style, which, besides this paper, shall be read to the bystanders.

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[This paper was not executed].

Conditions and terms on which the administrators of the estate of the late Rutger Jacobsen [Van Schoenderwoert], propose to sell at once at public sale to the highest bidder some furniture, goods and household stuff, for which payment shall be made in good strung seewant, within the space of a month; and it is expressly conditioned that no one shall pay by deducting moneys due him from the aforesaid Rutger Jacobsen, but that the buyer shall deliver the money into the hands of the vendue master, and wait for a *pro rata* division. The buyer shall be holden to furnish two sufficient sureties for the purchase money. The auction fees for the payment aforesaid become a charge to the buyer.

Done the 9th of December, 1665, old style.

Claes Lock, a stew pan,	*f*	30.00
Rycker V. Renselaer, a copper kettle,	*f*	10.00
Mr. (*Meester*, *i. e.* Doctor), Jacob [D'Hinse],[2] a copper kettle,	*f*	14.10
Philip Pieterse [Schuyler], 1 ditto (copper kettle), 1 pan, 1 skimmer and candle (*kandel*),	*f*	20 00
J. G. van Ball, 4 earthen platters,	*f*	2.00
Andries Teller,[3] 3 earthen platters, and 1 ditto little drinking cup,	*f*	12.00
Stoffel Janse [Abeel], 1 tin dish, little cup, and salt cellar,	*f*	14.10
Jan Vinhagen, 1 child's bed basket (*luyermant*), and 1 little calabash (*calbasje*),	*f*	8.10
Jan Clute, one pothook,	*f*	13.00
Barent Pieterse [Coeymans the miller], a slate with a frame,	*f*	10.00

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[1] Cornelis Van Steenwyck was a merchant doing business in New York.

[2] Jacob D'Hinse was surgeon and physician in Beverwyck as early as 1656. In 1657 he brought an action against Tomas Powelsen [Powell], for fees; but the defendant answered by saying that he had engaged to attend his family for two beavers ($6.40), a year; the plaintiff assented, but urged that wounds willfully inflicted were not included in this contract. The case went over, and how settled is not known.—*Dutch Manuscripts.* He was deacon of the Dutch Reformed Church in 1670, and his record of the transactions for that year is preserved in the archives, and an abstract thereof may be found in Munsell's *Historical Collections*, I, 32.

[3] Andries Teller was a son of William Teller, the first settler, who was long resident in Albany as a trader. Soon after 1690, the whole family removed to New York, except Johannes, who lived in Schenectady. Andries Teller married Sophia Van Cortland, daughter of Oloff Stevense, and had three children, two of whom, Andries and Margareta, were mentioned in their father's will, made in 1702.

Daniel Rinckhout, one ditto without a frame,	*f*	4.00
Jochim Wesselse [the baker], a *weysluyp*,[1]	*f*	13.00
Claes Lock, 3 pewter plates,	*f*	14.00
Cornelus Bogardus,[2] a chain pothanger,	*f*	15.10
Volkert Janse,[3] 2 pewter platters,	*f*	25.00
Jan Byvanck,[4] 2 pewter ditto,	*f*	10.00
Johannes Provoost, 3 earthen platters,	*f*	17.10
Abram Staets, 5 little earthen ditto,	*f*	16.00
Daniel Rinckhout, 3 ditto,	*f*	12.10
John Clute, 3 ditto,	*f*	16.10
Jan G. Bruyn, 9 pewter spoons,	*f*	8.00
The Heer Renselaer,[5] 3 great wine glasses,	*f*	5.05
Barent [Pieterse Coeymans], the miller, two old firelocks,	*f*	41.00
Mons. [Arent Van] Curler, a tap auger,	*f*	7.15
Barent [Pieterse Coeymans], the miller, two books,	*f*	30.10
Abram Staets, a parcel of old books,	*f*	17.00
Juriaen Teunisse [Glazemaecker], a great clothes basket,	*f*	18.10
Jan G. Bruyn, 1 scrub brush (*boende*), 1 brush, and wooden bowl,	*f*	7.10
Philip Pieterse [Schuyler], a picture,	*f*	35.00
Johannes Provoost, 2 little pictures,	*f*	17.10
Gabriel Tomassen [Stridles], a looking glass,	*f*	43.10
Philip Pietersen [Schuyler], a picture,	*f*	100.00
Mons. Arent Van Curler, one ditto,	*f*	85.00
Robert Sandersen [Sanders],[6] one ditto,	*f*	36.00
Arent Van Curler, an earthern pot,	*f*	8.05
Loweis Cobussen, an ash shovel,	*f*	4.00
Daniel Rinckhout, a piece of lace,	*f*	10.10
Frans Janssen [Pruyn],	*f*	8.05
Robert Sandersen [Sanders], 2 andirons,	*f*	20.00
Jan Clute, a table,	*f*	10.05
Cornelis Teunisse Bos, 1 silk wagon cover (*toerskleet*,)	*f*	97.00
Barent [Pieterse Coemans], the miller, 1 pair stockings with a pair of breeches,	*f*	15.00
Jan G. V. Bael, 3 chair cushions,	*f*	18.00
Juriaen Teunisse [Glazemaecker], a chimney hanging,	*f*	9.00

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[1] This was an instrument similar to a harrow, for passing over the ground in spring to level mole hills.

[2] Cornelis Bogardus was the second son of the famous Anneke Janse and her second husband, Do. Everhardus Bogardus, of New Amsterdam, and was baptized 9 Sept., 1640. He married Helena, daughter of William Teller, of Albany, where he resided until his death in 1666. His movable property sold at public sale, on the 14-24 Sept., 1666, amounted to 2015 guilders, a large sum for the times. He left one son, Cornelis, who married Rachel De Wit, and died in 1707.

[3] Captain Volkert Janse Douw.

[4] Jan Byvang or Byvanck was born in 1634, in Oldenzeel, Holland; in Oct., 1666, he married Bolitje Evertse Duyching, in New York. Only three of their children are registered in the Albany church books, viz: Hendericus, baptized 20 Feb., 1684; Gerrit, 17 May, 1686; Maria, 12 Feb., 1688. In 1692 he married his second wife, Sara Frans, of New York.

[5] Jeremias Van Rensselaer, "who succeeded his brother, Jan Baptist, as director of the colony, in 1658, and administered its affairs for sixteen years, with great prudence and discretion."— *O'Callaghan's History of New Netherland*, II, 551.

[6] Robert Sanders, son of Thomas Sanders, Jr., of Amsterdam, and Sarah Cornelise Van Gorcum, of New Amsterdam: was baptized in New Amsterdam, 10 Nov., 1641. He was a trader, and had two wives: 1st, Elsie Barentse; 2nd, Alida——; and one son, Barent, besides daughters. In 1691 he obtained a patent, in connection with Myndert Vander Bogart, for a mile square of land, in Dutchess county, including the site of the present city of Poughkeepsie. He is mentioned in the Journal of Jasper Danckers and Peter Sluyter, 1679, at considerable length (*Long Island Historical Society Collections*, I); and his name often occurs in Munsell's *Historical Collections*, vol. I, as late as 1692.

Lowies Cobus, a chair,	*f*	12.10
Hans de Poolt, for Volkert, a safe for provisions (*eetens kasse,*)	*f*	9.00
Teunis Gerrits Verwey [or Van Wie], a chest,	*f*	28.10
Mr. [*Doctor*] Jacob [D'Hinse], a table,	*f*	2.05
[Total],	*f*	983.10

We, the undersigned, acknowledge, that we have received from the hands of the receiver Johannes Provoost the sum of nine hundred and eighty-three guilders and ten stuivers, on account of the estate of the late Rut Jacobsen, arising from the household stuff sold.

Done $\frac{21}{31}$ Jan., 166$\frac{6}{7}$, Albany.

R. V. Renselaer.
Jan Van Bael.

The administrators, as before, of said estate of Rut Jacobsen, propose now to sell some silver ware and gold jewels, the payment for which shall be made in good whole merchantable beaver's skins, to be paid in the space of two months from date; and it is conditioned as before, that no money shall be deducted by reason of an account contra. The buyer shall be holden to furnish sufficient sureties for the purchase money. In paying, the auction fees become a charge against the buyer as before.

9th December, 1665, old style.

Abram Staets, a pair of favors (*strikken*),	*f*	20.17
J. Provoost, one ditto,	*f*	25.16
Jan Clute, a gold ring,	*f*	15.10
Philip Pieterse [Schuyler], a fine ring (*roossens ringh*),	*f*	18.00
Jeremias V. Renselaer, one diamond ring,	*f*	17.00
Immetie De Baxter, 2 half barrels (*mand,*)	*f*	7.08
Jeremias Van Renselaer, 1 double ring (*dubbelde hoep*),	*f*	26.00
Idem, a gold bodkin (*haernaelt*),	*f*	29.00
Idem, a gold chain,	*f*	80.00
Idem, a silver dish (*schael*),	*f*	24.00
Abram Staets, a silver salt cellar,	*f*	16.16
Ryckert Van Renselaer,[1] 4 silver spoons,	*f*	30.00
Arent Van Curler, a silver beaker,	*f*	68.00
Abram Staets, a silver beaker,	*f*	52.13
Andries Teller, 4 silver spoons,	*f*	31.00
Jeremias Van Renselaer, 6 ditto *mannetiens*,[2]	*f*	51.00
	f	512.14

We, the undersigned, acknowledge, that we have received from the hands of the receiver, Johannes Provoost, the sum of five hundred and twelve guilders and fourteen stuivers, beaver money, for the gold and silver ware sold.

$\frac{21}{31}$ Jan., 166$\frac{6}{7}$, Albany.

R. V. Renselaer.
Jan Van Bael.

[1] Ryckert Van Rensselaer, brother of Jeremias, the patroon.
[2] That is, having a human figure engraved upon them.

Terms and conditions on which Jacob Schermerhooren, attorney for Pieter Symonse [Van Oostsanen], proposes to sell at public sale, to the highest bidder, the yacht [sloop], that Rutger Jacobsen, deceased, commanded, by virtue of a mortgage, with such appurtenances, as are below mentioned. Said yacht shall be delivered to the buyer, within the space of 24 hours, and with it shall be delivered a mizzen sail and foresail, mizzen and foresail falls, both the sheets, a lift, a pulley, an anchor with a cable, grapple rope, the Prince's flag, a pair of oars, a boat, which is said to have floated away to the other side of the river, and to lay under the snow, and is there at the command of the buyer, who has to look for the same. Payment shall be made in good whole merchantable beaver skins, or failing in that in good strung current seewant, at 25 guilders a beaver, in two installments; the first, half in June, A. D. 1666, and the second installment also a half in June, A. D. 1667. The buyer shall be holden to furnish two sufficient sureties, jointly and severally, as principals, and that immediately, to the content of the seller. If the buyer can not furnish the aforesaid sureties in the aforesaid time, then the aforesaid yacht shall be offered for sale again at his cost and charge, and whatever less it comes to be worth, he shall be held to make good, and whatever more it happens to be valued at, he shall derive no profit therefrom. The auction fees for the payment, as above mentioned, are accounted a charge against the buyer, in specie. According to the before mentioned conditions, Daniel Rinckhout remained the highest bidder and buyer, for the sum of two hundred and fifty-nine guilders, for the payment of which Jan Verbeeck and Juriaen Teunisse [Glazemaecker] stood for him as sureties and principals, according to the aforesaid conditions.

Done in Albany, the 18th of December, 1665, old style.

Daniel Ringhout.
Jan Verbeeck.
Jurejan Tunse.

Goods of Stoffel Janse [Abeel],[1] sold for the behoof of the poor, to be paid in good strung seewant, on the first of March, 1666.

Done the 18th December, 1665.

Antony Janse, a black coat (*toerse*, coarse cloth),..... *f* 127.00
Antony Janse, a ditto cloak,..... *f* 34.00

f 161.00

Terms and conditions on which the attorney of Peter Hartgers[2] proposes to sell at public sale, to the highest bidder, the house of said Peter Hartgers, which was overturned by the ice. * * * * *

[This paper is imperfect and unexecuted].

Terms and conditions on which the attorney of Pieter Hartgers proposes to sell, at public sale, to the highest bidder, the house of the said Hartgers, which has been overturned by the ice. The aforesaid overturned

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[1] Stoffel Janse Abeel was not deceased until after 1670, in which year he made his will.

[2] Pieter Hartgers Van Vee come over in 1643, and first settled in Fort Orange in 1651 as commissary or magistrate. He returned to Holland, where he died in 1670. — *O'Callaghan's History of New Netherland*, i 441. He married Sytje Roeloffse, daughter of the famous Anneke Janse, by whom he had two daughters: Jannetie, and Rachel.

house shall be delivered to the buyer as it lies, upon the lot, with the iron appendages and dependencies of the same, and wheresoever any part of the woodwork may have been driven, the buyer shall seek for and gather together the same. The payment shall be made in good current seewant, to be paid within ten months from this date. The buyer shall be held to furnish two sufficient sureties, jointly and severally, as principals, and if the buyer cannot furnish the aforesaid sureties, then the aforesaid house shall be offered for sale again at his cost and charge, and whatever less it becomes worth, he shall be holden to make good, and whatever more it becomes worth, he shall derive no profit therefrom. In paying as above, the auction fees become a charge to the buyer.

Done April 12th, 1666.

The highest bid was *f* 160, by Geurt Henderickse [Van Schoonhoven].

Terms and conditions on which Gerrit Slichtenhorst[1] proposes to sell to the highest bidder, at public sale, his pan tile shed, to wit, the fallen pan tile kiln. All the wood and iron work that belongs to the aforesaid shed shall be delivered to the buyer as it lies upon the lot, and as it respects what has been swept off (by the ice and water), the buyer must search for the same at his own risk; likewise the buyer shall receive the tiles, which are in the aforesaid shed; all of which the buyer may at once begin to remove from the lot and use at his pleasure. * * * * *

[This paper was not executed].

Terms and conditions on which the house and lot, and some furniture and goods of the late Cornelis Bogardus, shall be sold. The house and lot, situate here in Albany, shall be delivered to the buyer, free and unencumbered, according to the conveyance thereof, of date $\frac{8}{18}$ May, 1666, to which reference is made, and which shall be read to the bystanders. The buyer, or bidder, shall occupy the aforesaid house and lot on the first day of November, first coming, new style. The payment therefor shall be made in two installments, half beavers, half seewant; the seewant reckoned at 25 guilders the beaver; the first payment, or the first half, on the first of November aforesaid, and the remaining half in the month of July, A. D. 1667, at which time the aforesaid house and lot shall be conveyed to the buyer. The buyer, or bidder, of the furniture and goods, shall pay for the same in seewant, at the price at which they bought them, or bid them off, within the space of six weeks. The buyer, or bidder, shall not have the power to deduct, or hold back the price, under any pretext whatsoever. The buyer, or bidder, shall be holden to furnish sufficient sureties, for what he buys or bids off, to the content of the administrators, failing of which the same shall again be offered for sale, and sold at his cost and risk. The auction fees become a charge against the buyer.

Household stuff of Cornelis Bogardus, sold, according to the conditions, $\frac{4}{14}$ September, 1666, to be paid in good strung seewant, within six weeks.

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[1] Gerrit Van Slichtenhorst was son of Brant Arentse Van Slichtenhorst, and came to Rensselaerswyck with his father, in 1646, from Nieuwkerk, Gelderland. For a short time he served as schout fiscal, also as magistrate, at Schenectady, in 1662. Afterwards he removed to Kingston, where he died in 1684. He married Aeltie Lansing, of Beverwyck.—*O'Callaghan's History of New Netherland*, ii, 69.

Jan G. Bruyn, 2 pewter platters, for,	*f*	21.00
Idem, a ditto porridge dish, and one ditto platter,	*f*	29.10
Jan Janse Bleycker,[1] 3 great pewter platters,	*f*	56.00
Jan Clute, 6 pewter plates,	*f*	31.00
Dirk Hesselingh,[2] 6 ditto, new,	*f*	39.00
Jan Wolsengracht, one pewter salt cellar, and one ditto mustard pot,	*f*	12.05
Tomas the drummer (*de tamboer*), 1 pewter pot and 6 spoons,	*f*	10.00
Jan Vinhagen, 5 little earthen platters,	*f*	9.50
Mr. [*Doctor*] Adriaen, 2 earthen bowls,	*f*	7.00
Jan Janse Bleeker, 2 ditto,	*f*	8.05
Barent the shoemaker, 3 great earthen platters,	*f*	26.10
Wouter, the baker, 1 earthen bowl, and 2 ditto platters,	*f*	30.00
Jan Clute, 2 little pictures,	*f*	16.00
Idem, 3 pictures,	*f*	34 00
Aernout Cornelise [Viele], 2 little pictures,	*f*	17.00
Jan Bleycker, a framed (*lyst*) almanac, [or calendar,]	*f*	10.15
Abraham Staets, a looking glass,	*f*	31.00
Joachim Kettel [huyn], 1 earthen pot, and 1 ditto colander,	*f*	7.00
Philip Schuyler, a little iron pot,	*f*	23.10
Aernout Cornelise [Viele], an earthen cheesepot,	*f*	3.10
Abraham Staets, 3 ditto pots,	*f*	12.00
Harmen Metselaer, a copper kettle,	*f*	10.00
Geertie Bouts,[3] a copper kettle,	*f*	9.05
J. Provoost, a pothook, and a copper pan,	*f*	11.05
H. Roosenboom,[4] 1 little copper pan, and 2 iron candlesticks,	*f*	11.05
Robert Sandersen, an old *innosent*,[5]	*f*	32.10
Gabriel Tomassen [Stridles], an old serge (*sargie*) garment,	*f*	30.00
Jan Corneel, soldier, a leather and a cloth breeches,	*f*	36.10
Jan Clute, a copper mortar, and a brush,	*f*	30.00
Abram Staets, a woolen garment,	*f*	45.00
Henderick Lansingh,[6] a black grogram garment,	*f*	205.00
Gabriel Tomassen [Stridles], a pair of black silk stockings,	*f*	24.10
Do. Staets, 2 blue waistcoats,	*f*	28.05
Harmen Vander Bos [Bogart?], a little white coat of napped cloth,	*f*	30.00
Dirck Hesselingh, 2 old hats,	*f*	10.00
Jan Bleecker, a pair of old white silk stockings,	*f*	16.00

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[1] Jan Janse Bleecker, came from Meppel, province of Overyssel, in 1658. He was a trader, and filled many important civil offices, the last of which was that of mayor in the city, in 1700-1. He married Margaret, daughter of Rutger Jacobsen, by whom he had a family of nine children. He died in 1732, at the age of ninety-one years, and she the year following, in her eighty-seventh year.

[2] Dirk Hesselingh was a resident of Schenectady for a time. In 1672 he sold his bouwery to Harmen Vedder. Robert Hesselingh (perhaps a brother), was killed in Schenectady, Feb. 9, 1690, in the sack of the place, by the French and Indians.

[3] Geertie Bouts was, perhaps, a resident in Schenectady, in 1690, when her adopted son Stephen was carried away captive by the French and Indians.

[4] Hendrik Roseboom, the first settler, was the *voorlezer* and sexton of the church. In 1674 he brought a suit, to recover his fees, against a man, who had employed the grave digger of the Lutheran church, who is styled an interloper; judgment for the plaintiff, 18 guilders. He died in 1703, leaving four sons.—*Munsell's Historical Collections*, 1, 32-54.

[5] It is with much difficulty that some of these terms are decyphered, and others cannot now be defined, the articles as well as their names having become obsolete.

[6] Hendrik Lansingh was one of the three sons of Gerrit Lansing, who came from Hassell near Zwoll, in Overyssel. Hendrick left one son, Jacob. He died 11 July, 1709.—*Church Records.*

Willem [Frederickse] Bout, 2 pair of woolen stockings,	*f*	14.15
Jan Janse Bleecker, 2 bands with lace,	*f*	22.10
Dirk Wesselse [Ten Brock], 2 ditto, without lace,	*f*	4.00
Aernout Cornelise [Viele], 2 ditto,	*f*	2.10
Do. Schaets,[1] 2 ditto,	*f*	2.15
Ludovicus Cobus, 2 linnen and one woolen cap,	*f*	6.05
Gysbert Janse,[2] two cravats (*dasiens*)	*f*	7.00
Arent Vanden Bergh,	*f*	5 10
Lowies Cobus, a shirt,	*f*	13.05
Do. Schaets, a shirt,	*f*	15.10
Willem Frederickse Bout, one ditto,	*f*	18.15
Lowies Cobus, one ditto,	*f*	29.10
Jan Gauw, 2 pillow biers,	*f*	19.00
Idem, 2 ditto,	*f*	22.00
Arnout Cornelise [Viele], white drawers,	*f*	15.05
Jan Janse Bleycker, 6 pocket handkerchiefs,	*f*	16.15
Jan Vinhagen, a Psalmbook,	*f*	30.05
Dirk Wesselse [Ten Brock], two silver breeches buttons,	*f*	14.00
Juffrouw De Witt, 2 silver spoons,	*f*	26.00
Aernout Cornelisse [Viele], a little silver beaker,	*f*	65.00
Jochim Wesselse [De Backer], 11 ells Haerlemer stuff,	*f*	36.00
Abram Staets, a pipe mould,	*f*	6.00
Lowies Cobus, a pot chain, and iron tongs,	*f*	17.00
Abram Staets, a painted casket,	*f*	59.00
Gerrit Bancker, a little milk pot and a barber's basin (*schaerbort*),	*f*	10.00
Jacob Schermerhooren, a meat tub,	*f*	10.00
Pieter Loockermans, Senior, a water pail,	*f*	2.00
Elias Van Ravensteyn, 3 gun barrels (*loopen*), and a lock,	*f*	40.00
Philip Schuyler, 4 gun barrels,	*f*	25.00
Jan G. Bruyn, 2 guns and 2 gun barrels,	*f*	58.10
Robert Sanderssen, 7 old pistol barrels and 2 locks,	*f*	31.00
Henderick Rooseboom, 5 gun locks,	*f*	45 00
Jacob Loockermans, a dirk and one old hanger,	*f*	21.10
Henderick Cuyler,[3] a little vessel of red paint (*menij*),	*f*	26.00
Jan G. Bruyn, 7 axes and 2 old andirons,	*f*	42.00
Abram Staets, a smith's bench screw,	*f*	54.00
Jan Clute, a saw with a bit stock (*stamper boor*),	*f*	11.00
Idem, a parcel of box maker's tools,	*f*	68.00
Jan Clute, a provision safe with drawer (*eetens lasie*),	*f*	27.05
Myndert Harmense [Vander Bogart],[4] a cabinet of drawers (*laa*),	*f*	50 00
Jan Clute, a wash tub,	*f*	7.10

[1] For account of the Rev. Gideon Schaets, see *Annals of Albany, passim*; also *History of New Netherland*; the Labadists, Dankers and Shyter, allude to him with much censure of his manners and habits, see *Memoirs Long Island Historical Society*, I.

[2] In Beverwyck as early as 1657.—*Dutch Manuscripts*.

[3] Hendrik Cuyler was born in 1637, probably in Amsterdam, where, in 1675, his brother, Reynier, *cnoopemaecker*, resided. In 1680 his house lot was on the south side of State street, west of Pearl, "near ye Fort," which lot passed into the hands of his son-in-law, Pieter Van Brugh. He also had a patent for land on the western bounds of Schenectady, above Hoffman's Ferry. By his wife, Anna, he had two sons, Johannes and Abraham, and a daughter, Maria.

[4] Myndert Harmense Van Der Bogart, son of Harmen Van Der Bogart, a trader, settled in Albany, and married Helena Schermerhooren, daughter of Jacob Janse Schermerhooren. His house lot was on the south side of State street, west of Pearl. In 1691, he, and Robert Sanders obtained a patent for a mile square of land, including the present city of Poughkeepsie.

Robert Sandersen, a manger (*krebbe*),.....*f* 4.00
Carsten [Frederickse],[1] de Smit, a little table and table cloth, and a bench,.....*f* 15.10
Jan Clute, a little rack to set platters on,.....*f* 6.10

f 2014.15

The vendue master, Provoost, has paid to us the administrators of the estate of the late Cornelis Bogardus, a sum, according to the above written sales.

Albany, $\frac{11}{21}$ November, 1667.

PHILIP PIETERSE [SCHUYLER].
D. V. SCHELLUYNE.[2]

1667.

A grey garment of Jan Clute's sold at auction by Gerrit Slichtenhorst, for,.....*f* 64.00
to be paid in beavers in 6 weeks.

Conditions on which the administrators of the estate of Rutger Jacobsen [Van Schoenderwoert], deceased, propose to sell at public sale, a garden, lying behind the Fort Albany; being three gardens, contained in one, whereof the delivery shall be immediate, and of such magnitude as it lies within fence, with some posts and boards, which are thereon; breadth 7 rods, and length 15 rods; but the buyer shall at his own expense solicit the patent of the Heer governor. Payment shall be made within the space of three weeks, from this date, in good current seewant. The buyer shall be holden to furnish sufficient sureties for the purchase money. The auction fees become a charge against the buyer. It is conditioned that, if the buyer can obtain no patent, the sale shall be null and of no value. Jan Clute remained the bidder and buyer of the garden for the sum of sixty-two guilders, and Philip Schuyler offered himself as surety, according to the above standing conditions.

The 8th of April, 1667.

JOHANNES CLUTE.
PHILIP PIETERSE SCHUYLER.

Jan Clute is the buyer of an iron fire plate (*vierplaet*), to be paid in cash, seewant,.....*f* 41.00
Willem Brouwer,[3] a settle bed (*slabanck*),.....*f* 10.00
Lowies Cobus, a copper pan,.....*f* 4.10
J. V. Renselaer, an iron wedge,.....*f* 4.05

f 59.15

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[1] Carsten Frederickse was brother of Myndert Frederickse Smith, one of the elders of the Lutheran church, in 1680.

[2] Dirk Van Schellnyne came over in 1650 as a notary, and for a time resided in New Amsterdam. He was appointed town clerk of Albany, in 1660. In 1667 he had a grant of land in Niskayuna for services. He had three sons: Cornelis, Tielman and Johannes. The name has disappeared from Albany.

[3] Willem Brouwer was in Beverwyck, as early as 1657. He was buried 3 Aug., 1668, and in the church book is the following entry: "tot die begraevenisse van Willem Brouwer, 40 g(uilders) 15 stuivers." His son, Hendrik, early settled at Schenectady, and his descendants may be found there in considerable numbers. It is not known that he had any other children.

Jan Clute, a ploughshare with a coulter, belonging to J. G. V. Bael, cash, to be paid in seewant,... .... *f* 49.00

Terms and conditions on which Sheriff Swart[1] will sell, under an execution, the household goods of Harmen Jansen Bos, together with a horse, for which payment shall be made in good whole merchantable beaver's skins, or in good strung current seewant, at 25 guilders the beaver; conditioned by these presents, that no one shall have the power to buy any goods by offsetting any debt, which the buyer might truly demand of said Harmen Bos, but the purchase money shall be delivered into the hands of the sheriff. The per centage becomes a charge against the buyer, in payments as aforesaid.

Elmer Otten[2] remained the highest bidder and buyer of the horse for,..... *f* 81.00
Jacob Tyssen [Vander Heyden], a musket,..... *f* 28.00
Henderick Van Nes, two guns,..... *f* 25.00
Jacob Tyssen [Vander Heyden], two ditto,..... *f* 14.00
[Henderick] Rosenboom, two gun barrels and 3 locks,..... *f* 16.00
Dirck Van Schelluyne, a sword,..... *f* 8.03
Jacob Tyssen [Vander Heyden], 1 pistol and an ax, ... *f* 6.00
Carsten [Frederickse], the smith, two coverlets,..... *f* 16.00
Jacob Tyssen [Vander Heyden], a parcel of old trumpery,..... *f* 11.00
Dirk Hesselingh, 3 hams, one flitch of bacon (*sij*), and 5 smoked pieces of pork,..... *f* 19.00
Jacob Tyssen [Vander Heyden], one hat,..... *f* 17.00
Lowies Cobus, one little cloth coat and a pair of serge breeches, *f* 54.00
Idem, a little white napped cloth coat,..... *f* 7.10
Dirck Hesselingh, one ditto,..... *f* 8·00
Barent, the smith, a parcel of gloves (*handjoes*),..... ..... *f* 5.10
Black Marten, a parcel of old stockings, ... *f* 15.00
Elmer Otten, a parcel of flints (*viersteenen*),..... ..... *f* 3.00
Gysbert Vanden Bergh,[3] an *innosent* and a waistcoat, ... *f* 14.00
Sheriff [Gerrit] Swart, 8 ells of linnen,..... *f* 28.00
[Hendrick] Roosenboom, a bit of cotton cloth, a powder horn, and a pair of ——— (?),..... *f* 4.05
Gerrit Hardenburgh,[4] three old shirts and one valance,..... *f* 8.00

f 388.08

On this day, the 14th of June, A. D. 1673, appeared before me Ludovicus Cobes, secretary of Albany, colony of Renselaerwyck and Schaen-

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[1] Gerrit Swart was appointed schout fiscaal, or sheriff, of Rensselaerswyck, in 1652, and held the office until 1670, when he was succeeded by Captain Salisbury. He was born in 1607.— *O'Callaghan's History of New Netherland*, II, 184.

[2] Helmer Otten was a baker. His wife was Adriaentje Arentse Bratt, daughter of the first settler and proprietor of that name in Schenectady. In 1670 he bought a bouwery of 26 morgens at Schenectady, of Pieter Adriaense Soegemmeckelyck, and soon after died, leaving one daughter, Catharina, who married Gerrit Simonse Veeder. His widow married Ryer Schermerhorn, another of the early settlers of Schenectady.

[3] Gysbert Vanden Bergh was living in Albany as late as 1685. He had two sons, Cornelis and Willem, who left families; also a daughter Maritie, who was baptized 5th July, 1685.

[4] Gerrit Hardenburgh and his wife, Jaessie Schepmoes, made a joint will in 1678 (*Notarial Papers*); in 1583 they had a daughter baptized by the name of Barendine. In 1690 he owned the sloop Royal, Albany.— *English Manuscripts.*

hechtade, in the presence of the honorable the magistrates of the same jurisdiction, Gerrit Van Slichtenhorst and Adriaen Gerritse [Papendorp], Jacob Heven and Gerrart Swart and Adriaen Van Ilpendam, as administrators of the estate of the late Reyndert Pieterse, who declared that, in true right, free ownership, they had granted, conveyed and transferred, by these presents, to and for the behoof of Mr. Henderick Roosenboom, a certain house and lot lying here in Albany, on the hill, bounded on the south by Goosen Gerritse [Van Schaick], on the north by Lourens Lourense, on the west by the hill, and on the east by the wagon way; breadth five rods, and length twenty rods, lying in a square, by virtue of the patent thereof of date the 30th of April, 1667, from the right honorable Governor General Nicolls, and conveyance of date the 5th of August, 1662, passed by Secretary Schelluyne, and that, free and unencumbered, without any charge standing or issuing against it, save only the governor's right, and without the grantors in the aforesaid characters [of administrators] having any more the least claim thereupon. Also acknowledging that they are quite satisfied and paid therefor, the first penny with the last; giving therefore *plenam actionem cessam*, and perfect power to the aforementioned Mr. Roosenboom, his heirs and successors, or those who hereafter may receive his right and title, to do with and dispose of the aforesaid house and lot, as he with his patrimonial estate and effects might do; promising to keep the same safe against every one and to free the same from all troubles, demands and charges, as is right, and further, nevermore to do, nor permit anything to be done, against this, either according to, or without the laws, in any manner whatever, thus agreeing thereto under obligation according to law.

Actum in Albany of date *ut supra.*

The mark of JACOB HEVEN ≳, with his own hand set.

G. SWART.

ADRIAEN VAN ILPENDAM.

In my presence,

LUDOVICUS COBES, Secretary.

On this, the 19th day of June, 1673, appeared before me Ludovicus Cobus, secretary of Albany, in the presence of the honorable commissaries of the same jurisdiction, Messieurs Adriaen Gerritse [Papendorp], and Andries Teller; Gerrit Janse Stavast, who in the matter in question between him and Mr. [Doctor] Jacob Vervanger,[1] by special provision, mortgages his house and lot standing and lying here in Albany, according to the sentence of the duke's (*heeren*) laws, and further [pledging] generally his person and estate, personal and real, present and future, without exceptions; submitting the same to the force of all the duke's judges and laws, by which, in case of need, to recover payment without cost or damage.

Albany of date *ut supra.* GERRIT JANSEN STAVAST.

Adriaen Gerritsen.

A. Teller.

In my presence,

LUDOVICUS COBES, Secretary.

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[1] Dr. Jacob Hendrikse Varravanger was in the West India Company's service from 1646 to 1662, residing most of the time in New Amsterdam.

The contents of [the above paper] are canceled, destroyed (*gemortificeert doodt*), and annihilated, pursuant to the act notarial in the margin of the copy of the mortgage, written by Willem Bogardus,[1] reading as follows: "On this date, the 8th of July, 1673, the contents of the above written mortgage, with another obligation, were canceled, destroyed, and annihilated. In witness of this, subscribed in N. Yorck, *ut supra;* was subscribed by Jacob Hendrickse [Varravanger] lower down stood

"Acknowledged before me,

W. Bogardus, Not. Pub."

Compared with the principal, Albany, the 16th July, 1673,

Ludovicus Cobes, Secretary.

On the 17th day of July, 1673, appeared before me Ludovicus Cobus secretary of Albany, etc., in the presence of the honorable commissaries of the same jurisdiction, Messieurs Adriaen Gerritse [Papendorp] and Andries Teller, Gerrit Visbeeck, who declared that in true right, free ownership, he had granted, conveyed and transferred by these presents to and for the behoof of Jan Hendricx Van Solsbergen[2] and Mr. Gerrart Van Slichtenhorst, a certain parcel of land, lying on the east bank [of the Hudson river], stretching along the river and inland towards the woods from the second *claeuer* (clover?) to the little stone kil (*steene killetie*), *alias* in the Indian language called Treeuwen Point (*hoeck*),[3] by virtue of the patent thereof from the right honorable governor, Richard Nicoles, and that free and uncumbered, without any charge standing or issuing against the same, except only the duke's (*heer's*) right; without the grantor's making any more the least claim upon [said land], acknowledging that to his content he is satisfied therefor and paid the first penny with the last, granting moreover *plenam actionem cessam*, and full power to the aforesaid Jan Hendricx and Mr. Slichtenhorst, their heirs and successors or those who hereafter may acquire their right and title, to do with, and dispose of the aforesaid parcel of land, as they with their patrimonial estate and goods might or could do; promising to keep the same safe against every one, and to free it from all trouble, claims and charges (as are lawful); and further, never more to do or suffer to be done any thing against the same either with or without the laws, in any manner whatsoever, thus agreeing thereto under obligation according to law.

Albany, of date *ut supra.*

Gerrit Visbeeck.

Adriaen Gerritse.
A. Teller.

In my presence,

Ludovicus Cobus, Secretary.

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[1] Willem Bogardus was the oldest of the four sons of Do. Everhardus Bogardus and Anneke Janse. In 1656 he was appointed clerk in the secretary's office in New Amsterdam, and, in 1687, post master of the province His first wife was Wyntje Sybrantse, of Amsterdam, by whom he had four children; only Anna (the wife of Jacob Brouwer, of Gowanus), arrived at maturity. By his second wife, Walburga De Sille, the widow of Frans Cregier, he had five children.

[2] Jan Hendrikse Van Salsbergen's first wife was Emmeke Lucasse; the second, Tanneke Janse, "weduwe van Ryk Riddersen;" he married 30th of Jan., 1693. He had four sons: Jan, Lucas, Henrik, and Harmen, who settled in Claverack or Kinderhook, and had families, with the exception perhaps of the first.

[3] This parcel of land was situated in Claverack. In 1673 Van Salsbergen conveyed to Van Slichtenhorst half a tract of woodland on Maj. Abram Staets's kil, the same as the stone kil mentioned above perhaps.—*English Manuscripts*, xxv, 5.

On the 30th day of July, 1673, appeared before me, Ludovicus Cobes, secretary of Albany, in the presence of the afternamed witnesses, Capt. Thomas Willett, who acknowledged that he had received from the hands of Juriaen Teunissen [Glasemaecker], the quantity of one hundred good merchantable beaver's skins, for which the appearer (*comparant*) promises, with the very first opportunity, this summer, here in Albany, to deliver to Juriaen Teunissen, free and unencumbered, eight hogsheads of good French [wine?] and an anker of brandy, besides also the refusal of four hogsheads of French [wine?], provided that Juriaen Teunisse shall pay therefor, according to agreement; below pledging his person and estate, personal and real, present and future, nothing excepted; submitting the same to all the duke's laws and judges.

Thus done in Albany, of date *ut supra*, in presence of Joris Christoffelse as witness, called for that purpose.

THO: WILLETT.[1]

Nota bene.— For the sake of formality, and to prevent all trouble and disputes, it is agreed between the parties, that each hogshead must contain and hold 6 ankers, and what more is found in the casks Juriaen Teunisse must make compensation for.

Joris Christoffelse Davits.[2]

Upon this 1st day of August, 1673, appeared before me Ludovicus Cobes, secretary of Albany, etc., in the presence of the honorable commissaries of the same jurisdiction, Messieurs G. V. Slichtenhorst and Adriaen Gerritse [Papendorp]; Capt. Silvester Salisbury,[3] sheriff here, who declared that in true rights, free ownership, he had granted, conveyed, and transferred by these presents to and for the behoof of Mister (*Sinjeur*) Andries Teller, trader here, a certain house and lot standing and lying here in Albany, next the house of the said Teller, by virtue of a conveyance thereof, derived from Cornelis Viele; and that free and unencumbered, without any claim standing or issuing against the same, except only the duke's (*heersyn*) right; without the grantor's making the least claim any more upon the same; also acknowledging that he is perfectly satisfied and paid therefor, the first penny as well as the last; giving therefore *plenam actionem cessam*, and full power to the aforesaid Mr. Andries Teller, his heirs and successors, or those who may hereafter receive his right and title, to do with and dispose of the aforesaid house and lot as he might do with his patrimonial estate and effects; promising to defend the same against every one, and to free it from every trouble, claim, and charge, as is lawful; and furthermore, neither to do nor suffer

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[1] Thomas Willett, from New Plymouth, N. E., was in New Amsterdam as early as 1641. He engaged in trade with success, and in 1665 was appointed mayor of the city; 1650 was one of the commissioners to agree on a boundary between New Netherland and New England; 1656 was a commissioner to settle the boundary line of the town of Gravesend; also the same year to settle differences between the town of Middleburg (Newtown) L. I., and Thomas Stevenson; 1663 to inquire by what authority certain persons were attempting to reduce Middleburg and the neighboring towns on Long island, under the English — *O'Callaghan's New Netherland Register*, 115-59. He died 4 Aug., 1674.— *Valentine's Manual*, 1853, p. 379.

[2] Joris Christoffelse Davidts was son of Christoffel Davidts, an Englishman, who early settled at Beverwyck. He had another son, David, who, with his family, was killed in Schenectady Feb. 9, 1690.

[3] Capt. Sylvester Salisbury was commissioned lieutenant of the governor's company of foot in 1670, and commander of the fort in Albany. He continued in this command until his death, about 1682. His widow, Elizabeth Beek, then the wife of Doctor Cornelis Van Dyck, administered on his affairs the same year.— *English Manuscripts.*

anything to be done against the same, either with or without the laws; in any manner whatsoever, under an obligation provided therefor according to the laws.

Albany, of date *ut supra.*

Gerrit Van Slichtenhorst.

Adrian Gerritsen.

SILVESR SALISBURY.

In my presence,

LUDOVICUS COBUS, Secretary.

On this the first day of August, 1673, appeared before me Ludovicus Cobus, secretary of Albany, etc., in the presence of the honorable commissaries of Albany, G. V. Slichtenhorst and Adrian Gerritsen [Papendorp], Mine Heer Thomas de Laval,[1] who declared that, in true rights and free ownership, he had granted, conveyed and transferred by these presents to and for the behoof of Mr. (*Sinjeur*) Daniel Hondecoutre, trader here, a certain house and lot standing and lying here in Albany, inhabited by Mr. Pretty,[2] and standing next to the house of Gerrit Janse Stavast, in virtue of a patent thereof, and that free and unencumbered, without any claim standing or issuing against the same, except only the duke's (*heeresyn*) right, without the grantor's making any more the least claim upon the same; also acknowledging himself perfectly satisfied and paid therefor, the first penny as well as the last; and therefore giving *plenam actionem cessam*, and complete power to the aforesaid Mr. Hondecoutre, his heirs and successors, or those who may hereafter receive his right and title, that he may do with, and dispose of the aforesaid lot as he might do with his patrimonial estate and effects; promising the same to defend against every one and to free it from all troubles, claims and charges, as is right; and further, never more to do or suffer any thing to be done against the same, with or without law, in any manner whatsoever, under obligation as provided by the laws.

Albany, of date *ut supra.*

THO. DE LAVALL.

Gerrit Van Slichtenhorst.

Adriaen Gerritsen.

In my presence,

LUDOVICUS COBUS, Secretary.

On this 21st day of September, 1673, appeared before me Ludovicus Cobes, secretary of Willemstadt,[3] etc., in the presence of the honorable commissaries of the same jurisdiction, Messieurs Gerrit Van Slichtenhorst and Adriaen Gerritse [Papendorp]; Hendrick Marselis[4] dwelling behind

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[1] Captain Thomas De Laval was in New York as early as 1668 engaged in trade. His residence was chiefly in New York, although from the fact of his owning a house in Albany, it is probable he occasionally resided there for the purposes of trade or otherwise.

[2] Richard Pretty was many years sheriff and collector of the excise for Albany county. He died in 1695.—*English Manuscripts.*

[3] During the short time that the province was a second time under Dutch rule, in 1673, Albany was called Willemstadt.

[4] Hendrik Marselis was one of Melyn's colonists on Staten island, and probably came over with the others in the ship New Netherland's Fortune, in 1650. In 1654, he had a grant of a lot in Beverwyck. When Staten island was attacked by the Indians, in 1655, he fled with his wife, two children and servant, and removed to Fort Orange, where he permanently settled.—*O'Callaghan's History of New Netherland.* He died about 1697. He had two daughters, and probably, no sons.

Kinderhook, offering himself as surety for his son-in-law, Matthys Coenraets, and acknowledging by these presents that Lourens Van Alen has disbursed and paid a certain sum of money to them in payment of the farm hands (*bouw volck*), and of other sums (*restanten*, remainders) honestly due to him, for which moneys this appearer (*comparant*), specially pledges a mare and a heifer, and all the grain that shall not now have been taken off, before he, Lourens Van Alen, has his; which payment he [Hendr: Marselis] shall deliver here (in Albany), or on the river bank, according to Lourens's [Van Alen][1] election; and further generally [the appearer, Marselis, pledges] his person and estate, personal and real, present and future, without exception, in order that it may be possible to recover payment thereby in due time if need be, without cost and loss.

Willemstadt, of date *ut supra.*

The mark of HENDR. MARCELIS ⅄, with his own hand set.

Gerrit Van Slichtenhorst.
Adriaen Gerritssen.

In my presence,

LUDOVICUS COBES, Secretary.

On this 17th day of October, 1673, appeared before me Ludovicus Cobes, secretary of Willemstadt, in the presence of the honorable commissaries of the same jurisdiction, Mr. (*Sinjeur*) Gerrit Van Slichtenhorst and Adriaen Gerritsen [Papendorp]; Mr. David Pieterse Schuyler, who declared that, in true right and free ownership, he granted, conveyed and transferred by these presents to and for the behoof of Johannes Wendell,[2] a certain parcel of ground lying on the hill, next to Jacob Janse [Schermerhoorn], in breadth one rod less one inch, and in length according to the patent, of date 15th of September, old style, 1670, from the late right honorable General Francis Lovelace, whereunto reference is made; and that free and unencumbered, with no claim standing or issuing against the same, except only the duke's (*heersyn*) right, without the grantor's making the least claim any more upon it; also acknowledging that he is quite satisfied and paid for the same, the first penny as well as the last; giving therefore *plenam actionem cessam*, and entire power to the aforesaid Johannes Wendel, his heirs and successors, or those who may receive in after times his right and title, to do with, and dispose of, the aforesaid lot as he might do with his patrimonial estate and effects; promising to defend the same against all persons, and to free it from all trouble, claims and charges (as are lawful), and neither to do nor suffer anything to be done hereafter against the same, with or without law, in any manner whatsoever, under obligation as provided according to law.

Done in Willemstadt.

DAVYDT SCHUYLER.

Gerrit Van Slichtenhorst.
Adriaen Gerritssen.

In my presence, LUDOVICUS COBUS, Secretary.

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[1] Lourens Van Alen was probably son of Pieter Van Alen, of Albany. By his wife, Elbertje Evertse, he had five sons, and, perhaps, daughters.

[2] Capt. Johannes Wendell, merchant, was, perhaps, a son of Evert Janse Wendell. His house lot was on the south side of State street, west of Pearl. His will was proved 9th February, 169-; and wife, Elizabeth, made executrix. By his two wives, Maritie Jillise and Elizabeth Staats, he had twelve children — six sons and six daughters.

Appeared before me Johannes Provoost, secretary of the court of Willemstadt, colony Renselaerwyck and Schanhechtade, in the presence of David Pieterse Schuyler and Cornelis Van Dyck, magistrates (*schepenen*) of the same, Cornelis Cornelisse Viele, who declared that he has granted and conveyed, and that in right and true ownership, as by these presents he does [grant and convey], to and for the behoof of Mr. Richard Pretty, his house and lot, lying in Willemstadt, and lying to the south of the Broad street [State]; to the north of the kill [Rutten], joining westerly on the house of Pieter Hartgers, and easterly by the little street [South Pearl]; in breadth in front on the street one rod [12 ft.] three feet and eleven inches, and in the rear on the [Rutten] kil one rod one foot and four inches; length on the east side five rods one feet and ten inches, and on the west side five rods five feet and two inches, Rynland measure,[1] by virtue of the patent thereof from the late Rt. honorable governor general [Nicols], of date the 2nd of May, A. D. 1668; to which reference is made; and that free and unencumbered, without any claim standing or issuing against the same, save the duke's (*heersyn*) right, without the grantor's making the least claim any more upon it; acknowledging that he is fully satisfied and paid therefor; and therefore giving complete power to the aforesaid Richard Pretty, his heirs and successors, or those who hereafter may receive title from him, to do with, and to dispose of the aforesaid house and lot as he might do with his other patrimonial estate and effects; and promising to defend the same from all persons, and to free the same from all troubles, claims and charges which are lawful, and further, neither to do nor suffer anything to be done against the same with or without law, in any manner whatsoever, under obligation, provided according to law for that purpose.

Done in Willemstadt, 24th of October, A. D. 1673.

COR. COR. VIELEN.

Davydt Schuylers.
Cornelis Van Dyck.

In my presence,

JOHANNES PROVOOST, Secretary.

Appeared before me Johannes Provoost, secretary of Willemstadt, etc., in the presence of Messieurs Marten Gerritsen [Van Bergen][2] and Pieter Bogardus,[3] magistrates of the same jurisdiction, Mr. Richard Pretty, who declared that in true rights and free ownership he had granted, conveyed and transferred, as by these presents he does [grant, convey, etc.], to and for the behoof of Juffrouw Elizabeth Salisbury,[4] wife of Captain

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[1] This lot was on the west corner of State and South Pearl streets before the latter was widened.

[2] Martin Gerritse Van Bergen is said to have arrived in Beverwyck in 1630. He settled in 1668 on Castle island, afterwards called Marten Gerritse's island, and subsequently on the mainland.— *O'Callaghan's History of New Netherland*, I, 433. For many years he was one of the magistrates of the county, and captain of the foot company. By his two wives, Jannetie Martense, and Neeltie Mynderse, he had five sons; two of whom, Gerrit and Myndert, are spoken of in letters of administration issued to his wife in 1696.

[3] Pieter Bogardus was the youngest son of Do. Everhardus Bogardus and the famous Anneke Janse, and was born in 1645 in New York. He subsequently settled in Albany, where, in 1673, he was one of the magistrates, and in 1690 was commissioned with others to treat with the Five Nations, and to look after the defense of the town. By his wife, Wyntje Cornelise Bosch, he had eight children. He made his will in Feb., 1701-2, and died in Kingston, in 1703.

[4] Captain Salisbury died about 1682, and his widow, Elizabeth Beck, married Doctor Cornelis Van Dyck, soon after. About 1690 Doctor Van Dyck died, and the next year she married Captain George Bradshaw. She died in 1701.

Silvester Salisbury, his certain house and lot, lying in Willemstadt, lying to the south of the Broad street [State]; to the north of the [Rutten] kil, joining on the west upon the late house of Pieter Hartgers, on the east upon the little street [South Pearl]; in breadth in front upon the [State] street one rod three feet and eleven inches, and on the rear on the [Rutten] kil one rod one foot and four inches; length on the east side [on South Pearl street] five rods one foot and ten inches, and on the west side five rods five feet and two inches, Rynland measure,[1] by virtue of the patent thereof from the late governor, Richard Nicols, of date 2nd of May, A. D. 1668, to which reference is made; and that free and unencumbered without any claim standing or issuing against the same, except the duke's (*heersyn*) right; without the grantor's making the least claim any more upon the same, acknowledging that he is fully satisfied and paid therefor, and giving therefore full power to the aforesaid Elizabeth Salisbury, her heirs and successors, or those who may hereafter receive title from her, to do with and to dispose of the aforesaid house and lot as she might do with her other patrimonial estate and effects; promising to defend the same against all persons, and to free it from all troubles, claims, and charges which are lawful, and further, neither to do nor suffer anything to be done henceforth against the same, either with or without law, in any manner whatsoever, under obligation in accordance with the laws.

Done in Willemstadt, the 2d of November, A. D. 1673.

RICHARD PRETTY.

Marten Gertse.
Pieter Bogardus.

Acknowledged before me,

JOHANNES PROVOOST, Secretary.

On this 18th day of December, A. D. 1673, appeared before me Johannes Provoost, secretary of Willemstadt, in the presence of Cornelis Van Dyck, magistrate of this jurisdiction, Henderick Lambertse [Bont],[2] who declared by these presents that he is honestly indebted to Mr. Gerrit Slichtenhorst in the sum of two and thirty guilders in beavers [$12.80], which he promises to pay within the time of two months from date; specially pledging therefor his cow, at present standing in the stall at Schanhechtade, by Adam Vrooman's,[3] to promote the payment of the aforewritten sum in case of need, without cost and loss.

Done *ut supra*, of date *ut supra*.

This is the mark of HENDERICK LAMBERTSE H, with his own hand set.

Cornelis Van Dyck.

Acknowledged before me,

JOHANNES PROVOOST, Secretary.

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[1] On the 24th Oct., this lot was conveyed to Richard Pretty by Cornelis Cornelise Viele. It now lies in and forms a part of South Pearl street, which is the "little street" (*de kleyne straat*), widened.

[2] Henderik Lambertse Bont, or Bent, owned land above the city of Schenectady, which he conveyed to Douwe Aukes in 1692, and removed to Claverack. His son Jan, also of Claverack, in 1713, confirmed the above conveyance, and gave more specific boundaries.

[3] Adam Vrooman was the son of Hendrik Meese Vrooman, who was killed at the sack of Schenectady, in 1690, at which time Adam, by his brave defense of his house, gained the admiration of the French, who spared his life. All the Vroomans of this vicinity are descended from this Adam and his brother Jan.

The above standing mortgage (*verbintenisse*) of the cow charged against Henderick Lambertse, Mr. Gerrit Slichtenhorst acknowledges that he has been fully paid therefor.

Done in Willemstadt, this 20th October, 1674.

Acknowledged before me,

JOHANNES PROVOOST, Secretary.

Appeared before me Johannes Provoost, secretary of Willemstadt and colony Renselaerswyck, and in presence of the afternamed witnesses, Roeloff Jansen and Jan Coneel, who declare by these presents that they have made a contract with each other as follows, viz: Roeloff Jansen has sold to Jan Coneel aforesaid, his lot lying on the hill,[1] between Jacob Tyssen Vander Heyden and Jan [De La] Waerd,[2] and that of such magnitude as it was received by him, the seller, from Jacob Tyssen at public sale,[3] which lot the buyer shall immediately begin to build upon, and on payment for the lot the buyer shall receive a proper deed, for which lot the said Jan Coneel promises to pay four good, whole merchantable beaver skins, and that punctually on the first day of July next coming, thus done without craft or guile, in presence of Maas Cornelise [Van Buren], and Jan Gauw, as witnesses.

Done in Willemstadt, the 27th of February, A. D. 1674.

ROELOFF JANSEN.
JOHN CONELL.

This is the mark of Jan Gauw +, with his own hand set.
Maas Cornelys.[4]

Acknowledged before me,

JOHANNES PROVOOST, Secretary.

On this 2nd day of July, A. D. 1674, appeared before me Johannes Provoost, secretary of Willemstadt, in the presence of the honorable Cornelis Van Dyck and Pieter Bogardus, magistrates of the same jurisdiction, Hendrick Willemsen [Backer], who declared that in true rights and free ownership he had granted and conveyed, as by these presents he does grant and convey, in real and actual possession, to and for the behoof of Stoffel Janse Abeel, by virtue of an accompanying patent, his certain house and lot here standing and lying in Willemstadt, bounded to the north by Hans Dreper,[5] to the south by Pieter Loockermans, Senior, and is in breadth in front on the street three rods five feet and one inch, in the rear three rods less three inches; length on the north side seven rods and one foot, on the south side in length from the street to the fence of Adrian Gerritse [Papendorp], and that free and unencumbered, without

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[1] It was agreed at the time that the seller should be holden to deliver to the buyer the aforesaid lot forty feet long from front to rear, and twenty feet broad in front on the street.

[2] Jan De La Warde came over from Antwerp in 1662: in 1684 he bought land at Niskayuna, and subsequently, in 1698, he acknowledged satisfaction for an island in the Mohawk, above Schenectady, between Claas Gravens Hoek and said village, sold to Joris Aertse Vander Baast, deceased. He died 28th January, 1702.

[3] In 1706, Margaret, widow of John Coneel, had a lot in Maiden lane, next east of Mr. Mingael's, near James street.—*Annals of Albany*, v, 132, 133.

[4] Maas Cornelise Van Buren was son of Cornelis Maas Van Buren. He married Josina Janse Gardenier, and had five sons and one daughter. His wife died in 1701, and he in 1704.—*Albany Church Records.*

[5] In 1656 he had a patent for a lot in New Amsterdam.—*Dutch Manuscripts.*

any claim standing or issuing against it, only excepting the duke's (*heersyn*) right, without the grantors laying claim any more upon the same, acknowledging that he is fully satisfied and paid therefor, giving therefore full power to the aforesaid Stoffel Janse Abeel, his heirs and successors, or those who hereafter may receive right and title from him, to do with and dispose of the aforesaid house and lot as he might do with his own patrimonial estate and effects; promising to defend the same against every person and to free it from all trouble, claims and charges which are lawful, and further, never more to do or permit anything to be done against the same, either with or without law, in any manner whatsoever, under obligation thus provided according to law.

Done in Willemstadt, *datum ut supra.*

This is the mark of + HENDERICK WILLEMSE,
with his own hand set.

Cornelis Van Dyck.
Pieter Bogardus.

Acknowledged before me,

JOHANNES PROVOOST, Secretary.

On this 31st day of July, A. D. 1674, appeared before me Johannes Provoost, secretary of Willemstadt and colony Renselaerswyck, in the presence of the honorable Gerrit Slichtenhorst and David Schuyler, magistrates of the same jurisdiction, Jochem Wesselse Backer, burgess and citizen here, who declared that in true rights, and free ownership, he had granted and conveyed, as by these presents he does grant and convey, in real and actual possession, to and for the behoof of Henderick Cuyler, his certain house here and two lots, standing and lying together here in Willemstadt upon the hill, lying to the west of Myndert Harmense [Van De Bogart],[1] to the east of the town's fence [stockade], to the south of the street [State] and to the north of the fence of the Lutheran church; the lot upon which the house stands is in breadth, front and rear, twenty wood feet, and in length to the fence of the Lutheran church; the other lot to the west thereof, is in breadth two rods three feet and eight inches; length as before to the aforesaid fence,[2] which he does by virtue of the patent of Governor Lovelace; the one of date 19 October, 1668; the other of the 15th of August, 167—, and that free and unencumbered without any claim standing or issuing against the same, only excepting the duke's (*heersyn*) right, without the grantors having any more the least claim against the same, acknowledging that he is fully satisfied and paid therefor, giving therefore free power to the aforesaid Hendrick Cuyler, his heirs and successors, or those who hereafter may receive right and title from him, to do with and dispose of the aforesaid

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[1] Myndert Harmense Van De Bogart was a son of Harmen Myndertse Van De Bogart, a surgeon in the West India Company's service, who died in Albany, in 1649. He was baptized in New York, 3d of May, 1643, and married Helena, daughter of Jacob Janse Schermerhorn. In 1686, in connection with Robert Sanders, he obtained a patent for 12,000 acres of land in Dutchess county, including the site of the city of Poughkeepsie. About this time he removed with his family to Dutchess county.

[2] The lots above described were on the south side of State street, the fifth and sixth west of South Pearl; in 1701, "ye house of Mr. Cuyler was near ye Fort." In 1703 Pieter Van Brugh, son-in-law of Henderick Cuyler, owned the whole or a part of these lots; his house being a corner house with the stockadoes in the rear. The lot next west Gerrit Luycasse Wyngaart bought with a depth of only 30 ft. by reason of the *rondweg* and city stockadoes. The Lutheran church lot was the Centre market lot.

house and lot as he might do with his patrimonial estate and effects; promising to defend the same against all persons, and to free the same from all trouble, claims and charges, which are lawful, and further, neither to do nor suffer anything to be done against the same, either with or without law, in any manner whatsover, under obligation for that purpose provided according to law.

Done in Willemstadt, *datum ut supra.*

JOCHEM WESSELSE B.

Gerrit Van Slichtenhorst.
Davidt Schuyler.

Acknowledged before me,

JOHANNES PROVOOST, Secretary.

Appeared before me Johannes Provoost, secretary of Willemstadt and colony Renselaerswyck, in the presence of Messieurs Cornelis Van Dyck and Pieter Bogardus, magistrates of the same jurisdiction, Wouter Albertsen Wyttenhoff, attorney for the late Pieter Claerbout's[1] effects here, who declared that, in true rights, just ownership he had granted and conveyed, as by these presents he does grant and convey, in real and actual possession, to and for the behoof of Jan Harmense Backer, his heirs or those who shall obtain title from him, the house and lot of said Pieter Clairbout, lying here in Willemstadt, which he does by virtue of a patent from Governor Richard Nicols, of date 14 May, A. D 1667, being of such breadth, length and limitation as it lies inclosed in fence, lying between the house of said Bogardus and Rut Aertsen, and that free and unencumbered, without any claim standing or issuing against it, excepting only the duke's (*heersyn*) right, without the grantors laying the least claim any more to the same; also acknowledging that he is fully satisfied and paid therefor, and therefore giving full power to the aforesaid Jan Harmense Backer, his heirs and successors, or those who may hereafter receive right and title from him, to do with and dispose of the aforesaid house and lot as he might do with his other patrimonial estate and effects; promising to defend the same against all persons, and to free it from all trouble, claims and charges, as is right, and further, never more to do or suffer anything to be done against the same, either with or without law, in any manner whatsoever, under obligation as provided according to law for that purpose.

Done in Willemstadt, 24th of August, 1674.

As Jan Harmensen was not satisfied, that the measure of the lot was not expressed in this instrument, since the grantor according to contract has sold him the house and lot as it lies in fence, so Jan Harmense has by the surveyor caused the same to be measured, and the length is six rods three feet and three inches, breadth in the rear nine feet and a half, and in front on the street fourteen feet, Rynland measure; which he desires to claim from him the [grantor].

WOUTER ALBERTSEN.

Cornelis Van Dyck.
Pieter Bogardus.

Acknowledged before me,

JOHANNES PROVOOST, Secretary.

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[1] Pieter Claerbout was the *voorlezer* of the church.

Appeared before me Johannes Provoost, secretary of Willemstadt and colony Renselaerswyck, and in the presence of the afternamed witnesses, Jan Coneel and James Penniman, who in love and friendship declare that they have agreed and contracted with each other about the sale of a house and lot in the manner following: *Firstly.*— Jan Coneel acknowledges that he has sold and James Penniman that he has bought of him, his, Coneel's, house and lot, lying here in Willemstadt, where the seller at present dwells; for which he, the buyer, promises to pay to the seller the sum of seventy pounds sterling, in Boston money, in two installments, the first of which shall be in the month of July, A. D. 1675, a sum of thirty pounds sterling, to be received by the seller in Boston, together with thirteen ells of serge for his, the seller's, wife for a dress; and the second installment, a year after, being A. D. 1676, also in the month of July, the sum of thirty pounds sterling, to be paid in New Orange,[1] in rum at three shillings six stuivers the gallon, besides also ten pounds sterling, which the buyer shall pay in hats at market price; about which the parties contracting are mutually well content as being done * * * without craft or guile; the respective parties pledging their persons and estates to the performance of this contract.

Thus done in Willemstadt, in presence of Andries Teller and Willem Percker [Parker], as witnesses called for that purpose, on this the 10th day of August, 1674.

JOHN CONEEL.
JAMES PENIMANE.

A. Teller, witness.
Wm. Parker.

Appeared before me Johannes Provoost, secretary of Willemstadt and colony Renselaerswyck, in the presence of the honorable magistrates, Cornelis Van Dyck and David Schuyler, commissaries of the same jurisdiction, and the honorable William Nottingham,[2] who acknowledged by these presents that he is well, truly and honestly indebted to Mr. Goossen Gerritsen [Van Schaick], in the quantity of six and twenty good, choice beaver skins, each of which must weigh one and a half pounds; also 1 guilder, two stuivers and eight pennies in beavers; besides three beavers of seven quarters [of a pound] weight, good and merchantable, for goods and merchandise received therefor to his satisfaction; which aforesaid beavers he promises to pay to the aforesaid Goosen Gerritsen or his attorney punctually on the first of August, A. D. 1675, with interest on the same at 12 per cent yearly, to commence on the date of this instrument, and running until full payment; except in case the mortgagor [Nottingham], during the year, gives full satisfaction for and pays said beavers, he shall be exempt from paying the interest; to the full performance of which the said William Nottingham pledges his person and estate, personal and real, present and future, especially mortgaging and pledging both of his houses and lots lying here in Willemstadt, as security, if need be, for the recovery of the payment of the aforesaid

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[1] On the recapture of New York by the Dutch in 1673, they changed the name of New York to New Orange.

[2] In 1676, William Nottingham and wife, Anne, were residents of Kingston. In 1715 he was captain of the military company of Marbletown, and was still living in 1722.— *English Manuscripts.*

nine and twenty beavers, one guilder, two stuivers and eight pennies in beavers, without cost or loss.

Done in Willemstadt, the first of October, A. D. 1674.

WM. NOTTINGHAM.

Cornelis Van Dyck.
Davydt Schuyler.

Acknowledged before me,

JOHANNES PROVOOST, Secretary.

Appeared before me Johannes Provoost, secretary of Willemstadt and colony Renselaerswyck, and in the presence of the honorable Gerrit Slichtenhorst and Pieter Bogardus, magistrates of the same jurisdiction, the honorable William Nottingham, who acknowledges by these presents that he is well, truly and honestly indebted to Mr. Andries Teller in the quantity of sixteen good, whole and merchantable beavers' skins, for goods and merchandise received to his content and satisfaction; which aforesaid sixteen beavers he promises to pay between this autumn and the middle of the month of November next coming, and failing of payment in said time, he promises to pay interest at the rate of ten per cent; thereto pledging his person and estate, personal and real, present and future, herewith mortgaging as a special pledge his two houses here in Willemstadt, lying on the hill, if need be, for the recovery of the payment of the aforesaid sixteen beavers, without cost and loss.

Done in Willemstadt, the 15th of October, A. D. 1674.

WM. NOTTINGHAM.

Gerrit Van Slichtenhorst.
Pieter Bogardus.

Acknowledged before me,

JOHANNES PROVOOST, Secretary.

Appeared before me Johannes Provoost, secretary of Willemstadt and colony Renselaerswyck, and in the presence of the honorable Cornelis Van Dyck and Pieter Bogardus, magistrates of the same jurisdiction, the honorable William Nottingham, at present residing here, who, by these presents acknowledged and declared that he is well, truly and honestly indebted to the heirs of Captain Thomas Willet, deceased, in the sum of three hundred and seven and fifty guilders, payable in good, whole and merchantable beaver skins, at eight guilders each, for goods and merchandise, received to his content and satisfaction, and promises to pay the aforesaid sum to the said heirs, said administrators, or their attorney, just as soon as they shall make a demand upon him, the mortgagor; thereto pledging his person and estate, real and personal, present and future; mortgaging herewith and especially pledging his two houses and lots here in Willemstadt, lying on the hill, to secure the payment if need be of the aforesaid sum of three hundred and seven and fifty guilders, without cost and loss.

Done in Willemstadt, the 16th of October, A. D. 1674.

WM. NOTTINGHAM.

Cornelis Van Dyck.
Pieter Bogardus.

Acknowledged before me,

JOHANNES PROVOOST, Secretary.

Appeared before me Johannes Provoost, secretary of Willemstadt and colony Renselaerswyck, and in presence of honorable Marten Gerritse [Van Bergen], and Pieter Winne,[1] magistrates of the same jurisdiction; Geertruy Pieterse, late widow of Abraham Pieterse Vosburgh,[2] deceased, who declared that she had granted and conveyed, as by these presents she does grant and convey, in real and actual possession, to and for the behoof of Wynant Gerritse Van der Poel[3] her half of the sawmill, lying in colony Renselaerswyck, on the east bank [of the Hudson river], opposite the bouwery of Mr. Philip Schuyler, standing on the kil,[4] which lies on the south side of the bouwery of Mr. Jeronimus Ebbingh, with all the tools there to belonging, which she possesses, and that free and unencumbered, only excepting the lord patroon's right, without the grantor's making any further claim upon it, acknowledging that she is fully satisfied and paid therefor, giving therefore full power to the aforesaid Wynant Gerritse, his heirs and successors, or those who may hereafter receive right and title from him, to do with and dispose of the aforesaid half said mill as he might do with his other patrimonial estate and effects; promising the same to defend against all persons and to free the same from all actions, claims or charges, which hereafter may come against the same and are lawful, and further neither to do nor to suffer anything to be done against the same, with or without law, in any manner whatsoever, under obligation provided therefor according to law.

Done in Willemstadt, the 18th Oct., 1674.

This is the mark + of GEERTRUY PIETERSE,
with her own hand set.

Marten Gerritse.
Pieter Winne.

Acknowledged before me,

JOHANNES PROVOOST, Secretary.

Appeared before me Johannes Provoost, secretary of Willemstadt and colony Renselaerswyck, and in the presence of the honorable Adriaen Gerritse [Papendorp], and Marten Gerritse [Van Bergen], magistrates of the same jurisdiction, Gerrit Bancker, who declared that, in true right, free ownership, he had granted and conveyed, as by these presents he does grant and convey, in real and actual possession, to and for the behoof of Jacob Staets,[5] his, the grantor's, house and lot, standing and lying here in Willemstadt, at present inhabited by Hans Dreper, to the south bordering upon Stoffel Janse [Abeel], and to the north upon Myndert Frederickse, as the same stands in fence; in breadth in front

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[1] Pieter Winne was born in the city of Ghent, in Flanders. His wife, Tanneke Adams, was a native of the "city of Leenwaerden, in Vrieslandt." He resided in Bethlehem, two miles south of Albany, where he made his will, in 1684; when he had thirteen children living. His estate was valued in 1696, at 860 pieces of eight, at six shillings each.

[2] Abraham Pieterse Vosburgh was the fourth son of Pieter Jacobse Vosburgh. He died in 1660, leaving one son, Pieter, probably, who settled in Kinderhook.

[3] Wynant Gerritse Van der Poel, trunkmaker, was in Beverwyck as early as 1657; by his wife, Tryntje Melgers, he had two sons: Melgert, and Gerrit; and a daughter, who married Willem Van den Bergh. In 1695, when he made his will, he was a resident of New York, "late of Albany." His will was proved in 1702.

[4] This kil was afterwards, and to this day is, called the Wynant's kil, having received its name from Wynant Gerritse Van der Poel, who owned the mill hereby conveyed.

[5] Jacob Staets was the eldest son of Major Abraham Staets, surgeon. He followed the profession of his father. His wife's name was Ryckie——; but it is not known that he left any children.

upon the street three rods and four feet, in the rear ten feet and a half, Rynland measure, free and unencumbered, without any claim standing or issuing against the same, only excepting the duke's (*heersyn*) right, without the grantor's having any further claim upon the same; acknowledging that he has received therefor full satisfaction and payment, giving therefore full power to the aforesaid Jacob Staets, his heirs and successors, or those who may receive hereafter right and title from him, to do with and dispose of the said house and lot as he might do with his other patrimonial estate and effects; promising to defend the same from all persons, and to free it from all actions, claims and charges, which may hereafter come against it, and are lawful, and further neither to do nor to suffer anything to be done hereafter against the same, either with or without law, in any manner whatsoever, under obligation as provided therefor according to law.

Done in Willemstadt, the 6th of November, A. D. 1674.

GERRIT BANCKER.

Adriaen Gerritsen.
Marten Gerritsen.

Acknowledged before me,

JOHANNES PROVOOST, Secretary.

Appeared before me Johannes Provoost, secretary, etc., and in presence of the honorable Adriaen Gerritse and Jacob Janse Schermerhoorn, commissaries, etc., Mr. Willem Teller,[1] who declared that in true right, free ownership he had granted, conveyed and transferred as by these presents he does [grant, convey, etc.], to and for the behoof of Johannes De Wandelaer;[2] so does he, J. De Wandelaer, in like form, hereby, and at once, transfer and convey again to Mr. Jan Henderickse Van Bael, a house and lot, lying here in Albany on the hill; in breadth in front on the street twenty-one feet; length, to the lot of Captain Backer, and breadth in the rear twenty feet, Rynland measure, out of which breadth of said lot there lies a foot and a half on the { east / west? } side of said house, for an alley in common, with Dirck Hesselinge, who also has a foot and a half there, so that the said alley is three feet in its whole breadth, for the use of both of them; adjoining, on the east, the grantor (*acceptant*), on the west, Dirck Hesselinge; on the south, Captain Backer's lot; and to the north, the street, and that by virtue of a conveyance of date $\frac{6}{16}$ July, A. D. 1668, given by Jan Coster Van Aken, to the behoof of the first grantor, Willem Teller; free and unencumbered, without any claim, standing or issuing against the same, excepting the duke's right; the grantors' acknowledging that they are satisfied and paid by Jan Henderickse Van Bael, the first penny with the last, in respect to the bargain

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[1] Wm. Teller was born in 1620, and arrived in New Amsterdam in 1639. He served the West India Company; at first as corporal at Fort Orange, but was soon advanced to the office of quarter-master. He resided in Albany until 1692, when he removed to New York with his family, except one son, Johannes, who remained in Schenectady. He became a trader after leaving the service of the company. By his two wives, Margaret Donchesen, and Maria Varleth, he had eleven children, the most of whom lived to mature years and left families.

[2] Johannes De Wandelaer came over from Leyden, and on the 17 March 1672, married Sara Schepmoes, of New York. Soon after, he removed to Albany, where he remained until about 1702, when he is found in New York. He was a trader, and had a house on the west corner of Maiden lane and Broadway; of his ten children eight were living in 1705, when his will was made.

for the aforesaid house and lot, giving therefore full power to the aforesaid Jan Henderickse Van Bael, his heirs, and successors, or those who may hereafter receive right and title from him, to dispose thereof as he might with his own patrimonial estate and effects, without the grantors' having any further claim upon the same; promising to defend it against all persons and to free it from all trouble and claims, and never more to do or suffer anything to be done against the same, either with or without law, in any manner whatsoever, under obligation as provided therefor according to law.

Done in Albany, this 15th of December, A. D. 1674.

WILLEM TELLER.
JOHANNES DE WANDELAER.

Adriaen Gerritsen.
Jacob Schermerhooren.

Acknowledged before me,

JOHANNES PROVOOST, Secretary.

Appeared before me Johannes Provoost, secretary, etc., and in the presence of the honorable Gerrit Van Slichtenhorst, and Adriaen Gerritse, commissaries of the same jurisdiction, a certain Katskil Indian by the Dutch commonly called Schermerhooren, offering himself as surety and principal for diverse Esopus and Katskil Indians to the behoof of Mr. Jan Clute, burgess of this town, on account of certain goods and moneys disbursed, which sum with others, amounts to eighty good whole merchantable beaver skins and fifteen good otter skins, which aforesaid sum he promises to pay promptly to said Jan Clute or to his order, within two and a half (*derdehalff*) years from this date, but if he [Schermerhooru], happens to die in the meantime, or the aforesaid time having expired, he has not paid said sum, then with free deliberation he entirely agrees that the aforesaid Clute or his order, may take to himself in complete ownership his, Schermerhooren's, and his, participant's, land, being the half of the land belonging to the Indians at Katskil, together with the free range (*uitdrift*) in the woods; and their lots shall be cast who shall have the preference as to the selection; and binds himself in such a manner that in case he comes to act otherwise than above mentioned, either directly or indirectly, or by any evasion howsoever it may be, it shall be null and of no effect whatever; well understanding that the land belonging to Jan Bronck[1] is not included herein. All that is above written he promises to hold valid and true, under obligation as provided therefor according to law.

Done in Albany, the 25th of January, 167$\frac{4}{5}$.

This is the mark + of the Indian, named SCHERMERHOOREN, with his own hand set.

This is the mark of + Lepelmaker [Spoonmaker], with his own hand set as witness.

Gerrit Van Slichtenhorst.
Adriaen Gerritsen.

Acknowledged before me,

JOHANNES PROVOOST, Secretary.

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[1] Jan Pieterse Bronck, son of Pieter Bronck, lived at Catskil. By his wife, Commetie Leendertse Conyn, he had six sons and two daughters, of whom five sons are mentioned in his will, made 9 Sept., 1738, and proved 6 Oct., 1742.

I, John Clute, heir of Capt. John Clute, late of Canastagicone of county of Albany, deceased, do acknowledge, on the 24th of March, 169$\frac{6}{7}$, to have rec^{d}, of Neele Van Bergen,[1] late widow of Capt. Marten Gerritse, dec^{d}, on y^{e} behalf of y^{e} above mentioned Ind^{n}, the full contents of y^{e} afore mentioned mortgade, wittnesse my hand.

Albany, y^{e} 27th of Sept., 1703.

JOHANNES CLUT.[2]

Appeared before me Johannes Provoost, secretary, etc., an Indian, commonly called by the Dutch, Schermerhoorn, for himself, and specially commissioned for another Indian, named Siachemoes; who declared, in presence of the honorable Gerrit Van Slichtenhorst, and Adriaen Gerritsen, commissaries, etc., that he had granted, conveyed and transferred, as by these presents he does transfer, to and for the behoof of Jan Bronck, his heirs, or those who shall receive title from him, a certain piece of land, lying in Katskil, lying on the north side of the kil, called by the Indians Paskoeeq, situate under the hill which stands to the west, moreover he grants him free range for his cattle; which he does by virtue of being the natural and rightful proprietor of said land, and that, out of a liberality shown him and for friendship enjoyed; refraining from any further claim on said piece of land; giving therefore to said Jan Bronck and his heirs full power to dispose thereof, the same as he might do with his other patrimonial estate and effects, without the grantor's making the least claim any more upon it; promising to defend the same against all persons, and to free it from all actions, claims or charges of other Indians, or all other persons who may succeed them, and never more to do or suffer anything to be done against the same, with or without law, in any manner whatsoever.

Done in Albany, the 25th of January, A. D. 167$\frac{4}{5}$.

This is the mark, Outs, of an Indian, named SCHERMERHOORN.

Gerrit Van Slichtenhorst.

Adriaen Gerritsen.

Acknowledged before me,

JOHANNES PROVOOST, Secretary.

Appeared before me Johannes Provoost, secretary, etc., and in presence of the honorable Adriaen Gerritse, and Andries Teller, commissaries, etc., Jan Concel, burgess and citizen here; who declared, that in true rights, free ownership, he had granted and conveyed, as by these presents he does grant and convey, to and for the behoof of Evert Janse Wendell, also a burgess here, a house and lot, lying in Albany, on the hill, with all that is fast therein by earth and nailed; the lot is in breadth, front and rear, five and twenty feet; in length on the south side four rods six feet and three inches; bordering upon the east side Claes Van Rotterdam; on the south side Gerrit Lansingh;[3] on the west and north sides the highway,

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[1] Captain Marten Gerritse Van Bergen; Neeltie Myndertse was his second wife.

[2] Johannes Clute, nephew and heir of Captain Johannes Clute, inherited his large landed property in Niskayuna, Loonenburg, and Albany. He resided in the former place. By his wife, Bata Slichtenhorst, he had nine children; from him and Frederick Clute, also of Niskayuna, have descended the families of this name in Albany and Schenectady counties.

[3] Gerrit Lansingh was a native of Hasselt near Zwoll, in Overyssel. He was deceased before 1679, leaving three sons: Gerrit, Hendrik, and Johannes; and three daughters: Aeltie, Gysbertje, and Hilletje, all of whom had families, and lived in Albany or its vicinity.—*Deeds*, iii, 51.

according to the measure and survey of the surveyor, of date the fifth of May, 1668, and pursuant to a conveyance from Mr. Thomas De Laval, of date the 17th of August, A. D. 1670, to him, the grantor, given, to which reference is made; and that free and unencumbered, with no claim standing or issuing against the same, save the duke's right, without the grantor's having any further claim upon the same, acknowledging that he has received full satisfaction and payment therefor, the first penny with the last, giving therefore full power to the aforesaid Evert Janse Wendel, his heirs and successors, or those who may hereafter derive right and title from him, to do with and dispose of the aforesaid house and lot as he might do with his patrimonial estate and effects; promising to defend the same against all persons, and to free it from all trouble, claims and charges, which are lawful, and further never more to do or suffer any thing to be done against the same, either with or without law, in any manner whatsoever, under obligation as provided therefor according to law.

Done in Albany, the 11th of March, A. D. 167$\frac{4}{5}$.

JOHN CONELL.

Adriaen Gerritsen.
A. Teller.

Acknowledged before me,

JOHANNES PROVOOST, Secretary.

Appeared before me Johannes Provoost, secretary, etc., and in presence of the honorable Gerrit Slichtenhorst, and Jacob Schermerhoorn, commissaries, etc., Jan Coneel, citizen here, who declared that he had sold, granted, conveyed and transferred, as by these presents he does grant and convey, in real and actual possession, to and for the behoof of Robert Livingston,[1] merchant, a certain lot lying here in Albany, being named No. 1, received by him the grantor, by deed from Andries De Vos, of date 18 June, A. D. 1672, and lying on the hill, adjoining westerly Jan (De La) Ward, easterly the highway, northerly Pieter Winne; breadth on the south side four rods, and westerly three rods and six feet; and that free and unencumbered, with no claim standing or issuing against the same, excepting the duke's right, without the grantor's having any more the least claim upon the same, and acknowledging that he is fully satisfied and paid therefor, the first penny with the last, giving therefore, full power to the aforesaid Robert Livingston, his heirs and successors, or those who hereafter may derive right and title from him to do with and to dispose of the aforesaid lot, as he might do with his patrimonial estate and effects; promising to defend the same against all persons, and to free it from all trouble, charges and claims, which are lawful, and further, never more to do or suffer anything to be done against the same, either with or without law, in any manner whatsoever, under obligation as provided by law therefor.

Done in Albany, the 11th March, A. D. 167$\frac{4}{5}$.

JOHN CONEEL.

Gerrit Van Slichtenhorst.
Jacob Schermerhooren.

Acknowledged before me,

JOHANNES PROVOOST, Secretary.

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[1] Robert Livingston was the first settler in this province of this well known family. He was for many years secretary of Albany, mayor of the city, Indian commissioner, etc. He married

Appeared before me Johannes Provoost, secretary, etc., and in presence of the honorable Andries Teller, and Jacob Janse Schermerhoorn, commissaries, etc., Andries De Vos, burgess and citizen here, who declared, that in true rights, free ownership, he had sold, granted, conveyed, as by these presents he does grant and convey, in real and actual possession, to and for the behoof of the deaconry (*diaconye*) here in Albany, his house and lot and garden, here lying on the hill, adjoining and southward of the third kil,[1] northward of the highway, westward of Paulus Martense [Van Benthuysen], eastward of a lot of the grantor, of such magnitude and limitation as it lies inclosed in its fence, together with a little piece of hop land, lying below on said third kil, bounding to the east Reyer Elbertse, to the west the kil, to the south and north the hill, and is in length on the south side, thirty-one rods; on the north side, thirty rods; breadth on the west side, fifteen rods; on the east side, twenty-three rods;[2] and that, free and unencumbered, with no claim, standing or issuing against the same, excepting only the duke's right, which he does by virtue of patents; the one of date 10th Sept., and the other the 11th ditto, A. D. 1667, to him, the grantor, given by Governor R Nicols, and acknowledging that he, the grantor, has been fully satisfied and paid therefor, the first with the last penny; therefore giving to the aforesaid diaconate or those who may hereafter receive title from them, full power to do with and dispose of the aforesaid house, lot and garden, with the piece of hop land, as they might deal with and dispose of their other estate; promising the same to defend and to free from all trouble and charges or claims which hereafter may arise, and never more to do or suffer anything to be done against the same, either with or without law, in any manner whatsoever, under obligation as provided therefor by law.

Done in Albany, the first of April, A. D. 1675.

ANDRYS DE VOS.

A. Teller.

Jacob Schermerhooren.

Acknowledged before me,

JOHANNES PROVOOST, Secretary.

Appeared before me Johannes Provoost, secretary, etc., and in the presence of the honorable Jacob Schermerhooren, and Adriaen Gerritse, commissaries, etc., Evert Janse Wendel, who declared that he had sold, granted and conveyed, as by these presents he does grant and convey, in real and actual possession, to and for the behoof of Nehemiah Pears,[3] his house and lot, lying in Albany, on the hill, with all that is therein fast by earth and nailed; bounded on the east side by Claes Van Rotterdam, on the south side by Gerrit Lansingh, on the north and west sides by the highway; breadth in front on the street twenty-five feet, and in the rear on Gerrit Lansingh's house; from the upper corner stretching to the

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Alida Schuyler, widow of Rev. Nicholas Van Rensselaer, and had seven children. His house lot was on the north corner of State and Pearl streets. He died 20 April, 1725, and was buried in the church. He was succeeded in the office of secretary by his nephew, Robert, Jr.

[1] The three principal kils in the city were sometimes numbered as follows: First kil, or Beaver kil; Second kil, or Rutten kil; Third kil, or Vossen kil.

[2] These lots lay northward and west of Steuben and North Pearl streets, in the valley of the third or Vossen kil, now Canal street.

[3] Nehemiah Pearse was perhaps the father of Jacob and Johannes Pearse, who settled early at Niskayuna.

bottom in a straight line along said Lansingh's house drop free; it is in breadth in the rear fourteen feet less two inches, and in length on the south side four rods six feet, and three inches, length on the north side four rods three feet and three inches, all as it is at present inclosed in fence, which he, the grantor, does by virtue of conveyance, acquired by him from Jan Concel, of date the twenty-first of March, A. D. 167$\frac{4}{5}$, to which reference is made, free and unencumbered, with no claim standing or issuing against the same, excepting the duke's right, without the grantor's making the least claim upon it any more; acknowledging that he is fully satisfied and paid therefor, giving therefore full power to Nehemiah Pears, his heirs and successors, or those who may hereafter derive right and title from him, to do with and dispose of the aforesaid house and lot as he might do with his other patrimonial estate and effects; promising to defend the same against all persons, and to free it from all trouble, claims or charges which may hereafter arise, and never more to do or suffer anything to be done against the same, either with law or without law, in any manner whatsoever, under obligation as provided therefor according to law.

Done in Albany, the 21st of April, A. D. 1675.

EVERT JANSE WENDELL.

Jacob Schermerhooren.
Adriaen Gerritsen.

Acknowledged before me,

JOHANNES PROVOOST, Secretary.

On the day and date underwritten, appeared before me Johannes Provoost, secretary, etc., and in the presence of the afternamed witnesses: Jacob Salomonse [Goewey],[1] of the one side, and Sara [Roeloffse] Van Borsum,[2] commissioned by her husband, Cornelis Van Borsum, of the other side, who declare that, in perfect friendship and amity, they have contracted with each other and made a bargain in the manner following, namely: Jacob Salomonse acknowledges that he has sold Sara Van Borsum, and Sara Van Borsum, that she has bought of him, his, the seller's, certain house, lot and garden, lying in Albany, by the Beaver's kil, with all that is therein and thereon fastened by earth and nailed, the magnitude, length and breadth according to the patent thereof, with such rights as he, the seller, possesses in the same, for which said house and lot and garden, Sara Van Borsum promises to pay to the said Jacob Solomonsen, or to his order, the number of fifty good whole merchantable beaver's skins, in two installments; the first, on the first day of July, of the year 1675, and the second installment, on the first day of July, A. D. 1676, at each time a just half of the promised purchase money. The aforesaid house and lot shall be given and delivered to the buyer, on the first of June, next coming; wherewith the contracting parties have full satisfaction, and the same truly to keep and for the consummation of the same, the aforesaid parties respectively pledge their persons and estates,

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[1] Jacob Salomonse Goewey was perhaps a brother of Jan Salomonse Goewey, who was the ancestor of the Goeweys of Albany.

[2] Sara Roeloffse was a daughter of the celebrated Anneke Janse, by her first husband, Roeloff Janse. Sara, first married Hans Kierstede, and after his death, Cornelis Van Borsum, of Brooklyn ferry, in 1669. She outlived him and married Elbert Elbertsen, of New York, in 1683.—*Valentine's Manual.*

real and personal, present and future, submitting themselves to all laws and judges.

Thus done in Albany, in the presence of Cornelis Van Dyck and Dirck Wesselse [Ten Broeck], as witnesses hereto called, upon this 24th of April, A. D. 1675.

This is the mark J. S. of JACOB SALOMONSE,
with his own hand set.

SARA VAN BORSEM.

Cornelis Van Dyck.
Derck Wesselse.

Quod Attestor,

JOHANNES PROVOOST, Secretary.

Appeared before me Johannes Provoost, secretary, etc., and in presence of honorable Adriaen Gerritsen, and Andries Teller, commissaries, etc., Jan Tomassen [Mingael], also commissary, who declared that, in true right, free ownership he had granted, conveyed and transferred, as by these presents he does grant and convey in real and actual possession, to and for the behoof of Harmen Rutgers, his, the grantor's, half brewery, lot and garden, as he, the grantor, possesses the same in company with Volkert Janse [Douw], according to the patent received by said Volkert Janse and the *acceptant* from the governor Francis Lovelace, of date the 24th of March, 166$\frac{8}{9}$, and is according to the tenor of the same; in breadth on the east side or the highway, six rods nine feet ten inches; length on the south side on the alley of Abraham Staets, five rods and eleven feet; on the west also on Abraham Staets's paling, six rods five feet; on the north side the street, seven rods one foot; the garden [is bounded] on the west side by the road, length six rods nine feet; on the north side by the road, four rods seven feet; on the east by the river, seven rods and five feet; and the south side again on Abraham Staets [alley], five rods and five feet;[1] all free and unencumbered, with no claim standing or issuing against the same, excepting only the lord's right, without the grantor's making the least claim any more thereupon, acknowledging that he is fully satisfied and paid therefor, giving therefore full power to the said Harmen Rutgers, his heirs and successors, or those who may hereafter acquire right and title from him, to do with and dispose of the aforesaid brewery, lot and garden as he might do with his other effects and patrimonial estate; promising to defend the same against all persons, and to free it from all trouble, claims and charges, which hereafter may arise, and never more to do or allow anything to be done against the same, either with or without law, in any manner whatsoever, under obligation as provided therefor, according to law.

In Albany, 28th March, A. D. 167$\frac{4}{5}$,

JAN THOMAS.

Adriaen Gerritsen.
A. Teller.

Acknowledged before me,

JOHANNES PROVOOST, Secretary.

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[1] The first lot, above described, on which the brewery stood, was the easterly half of the block, on which the Exchange stands, bounded by Broadway, Exchange, Dean, and State streets. Captain Abram Staets then owned the westerly half, fronting upon Broadway. State

Appeared before me Johannes Provoost, secretary, etc., and in presence of honorable Gerrit Van Slichtenhorst, and Jacob Schermerhoorn, commissaries, etc., Volkert Janse Douw, who declared, that in true rights, free ownership, he had granted and conveyed, as by these presents he does grant and convey, in real and actual possession, to and for the behoof of Harmen Rutgers; his, grantor's, just half of his brewery, lot and garden, as they have possessed the same in company, according to the patent granted to them, the grantee and grantor, by the governor, Francis Lovelace, of date 24th of March, 166$\frac{8}{9}$, and having the following dimensions: breadth on the east side or highway, six rods nine feet ten inches; length on the south side, on the alley of Abraham Staets, five rods eleven feet; on the west, also on Abraham Staets paling, six rods five feet; on the north side the street, seven rods one foot; the garden [is bounded on] the west side by the road, length six rods nine feet; on the north side the road, four rods seven feet; on the east, on the river side, seven rods five feet; on the south side, again on Abraham Staets [alley], five rods and five feet;[1] and that free and unencumbered, with no claim standing or issuing against the same, excepting only the lord's right, without the grantor's having the least claim any more upon it; acknowledging that

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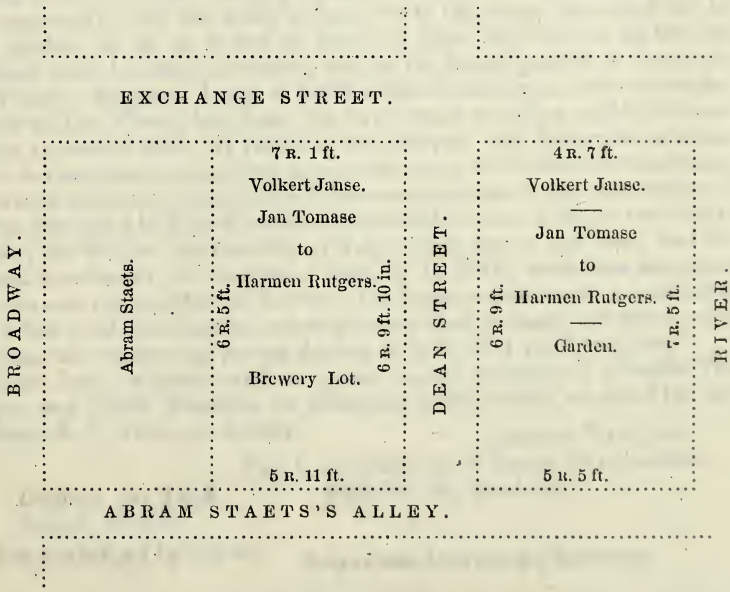
street, between Broadway and the river, was merely an alley to the water side. Subsequently, in 1735, Sybrant Van Schaick received a conveyance of half of the same property from Pieter Pieterse Lansing.—*Annals of Albany*, x, 60. The garden lot lay between the river and Dean street, then a space barely sixty feet wide. Dean street was first called Dock street, and was



subject to inundation in high water as well as the space between it and the river. The late Cornelis Truax said that when the Yankees began to come in they ventured to build below Dock street, and were told by the Dutchmen if they had seen the river break up they would not build there. Before the pier was erected the current of the river swept toward this point with great force, especially in times of high water.

[1] The other half of this property was conveyed to Herman Rutgers, by the last deed.

he is fully satisfied and paid therefor, giving, therefore, full power to the said Harmen Rutgers, his heirs and successors, or those who may hereafter acquire right and title from him, to do with and dispose of the aforesaid brewery, lot and garden, as he might do with his other patrimonial estate and effects; promising to defend the same against all persons, and to free it from all trouble, claims and charges which are lawful, and never more to do or suffer anything to be done against the same, either with or without law, in any manner whatsoever, under obligation as provided therefor by law.

Done in Albany, this 28th of April, A. D. 1675.

VOLKERT JANSE DOUW.

Gerrit Van Slichtenhorst.
Jacob Schermerhòren.

Acknowledged before me, JOHANNES PROVOOST, Secretary.

Appeared before me Johannes Provoost, secretary, etc., and in presence of the afternamed witnesses, Gerrit Van Nes,[1] of the one side, and Jacob Salomonse [Goewey], of the other side, who declared that in love and amity they have contracted and made a bargain in manner following, namely: Gerrit Van Nes acknowledges that he has sold, and Jacob Salomonse, that he has bought of him, his, grantor's, certain house, standing and lying in the colony of Renselaerswyck, at the Greenbush, lying between a vacant lot and the house of Jan Oothout; and that, with all that is therein fast by earth and nailed at this date, free and unencumbered, with no claim standing against it, save only the patroon's right (*heersynrecht*); also the seller makes over to the buyer the use of the lot and garden, so far as it lies in fence, in form and manner as lots and gardens used by other colonists; and, as the buyer granted to Frederiek de Visser,[2] deceased, leave to build a little house on a corner of the lot, which he [de Visser] has done, the buyer must not allow said little house longer to remain there, by reason of the delay of said Frederick, whereas he or his successors are holden to cause the same to be removed therefrom; for which aforesaid house Jacob Salomonse promises to pay the number of thirty-four and a half good whole merchantable beaver skins, in two installments; the first, on the first day of July of this year, a just half; and the second installment, on the first of July, A. D. 1676; each time seventeen beavers and two guilders in beavers; the house remaining in possession of the seller until next Monday, when delivery shall be made; all which afore written, the contracting parties declare is to be held valid and true.

Thus done, without craft or guile, in the presence of Cornelis Van Dyck, and Dirck Wesselse, as witnesses, hereto called, on this 11th day of May, A. D. 1675, in Albany.

GERRET VAN NES.

This is the mark × of JACOB SALOMONSEN, with his own hand set.

Cornelis Van Dyck.
Dierck Wesselse.

Acknowledged before me, JOHANNES PROVOOST, Secretary.

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[1] Gerrit Van Nes was son of Cornelis Hendrik Van Nes, and born in 1645. He was living in Greenbush, in 1663. In his will, made 1707, he speaks of his second wife, Maria Pieterse Loockermans, whom he married in 1677, and of a son, Willem, mariner, and Jannetie, wife of Lourens Van Schaick. He had also a son, Gerrit, born about 1681, and living in 1702, but probably dead at date of his will.

[2] Now Visscher or Fisher.

Appeared before me Johannes Provoost, secretary, etc., and in the presence of the honorable commissaries Gerrit Van Slichtenhorst, and Jacob Schermerhoorn, etc., Harmen Rutgers, citizen here, who declared that in true rights, free ownership, he had granted and conveyed, as by these presents he does grant and convey, in real and actual possession, to and for the behoof of Mr. Goosen Gerritse Van Schaick, and Pieter Lassingh, in company,[1] his, the grantor's, certain brewery, lot and garden, according to the patent granted to him and Volkert Janse Douw, in company, by the Governor General Francis Lovelace, of date 24th of March, A. D. 166$\frac{8}{9}$, having these dimensions; breadth on the east side or highway, six rods nine feet ten inches; length on the south side, on the alley of Abraham Staets, five rods and eleven feet; on the west, also on Abraham Staets paling, six rods five feet; on the north side, seven rods one foot; the garden has on the west side the street, length six rods nine feet; on the north side, also the road, four rods seven feet; on the east, on the river side, seven rods and five feet; on the south, on Abraham Staets [alley], again five rods and five feet;[2] and that free and unencumbered, with no claim, standing or issuing against the same, only excepting the lord's right, without the grantor's making the least claim any more upon it; acknowledging that he is fully satisfied and paid therefor, giving therefore full power to the aforesaid Goosen Gerritse Van Schaick, and Pieter Lassingh, their heirs and successors, or those who may acquire right and title hereafter from him, to do with and dispose of the aforesaid brewery, lot and garden, as they might do with their other patrimonial estate and effects; promising to defend the same against all persons, and to free them from all trouble, claims and charges, which are lawful, and never more to do or suffer anything to be done against the same, either with or without law, in any manner whatsoever, under obligation as provided therefor by law.

Done in Albany, this last day of May, A. D. 1675.

HERMAN RUTGERS.

Gerrit Van Slichtenhorst.
Jacob Schermerhoren.

Acknowledged before me,

JOHANNES PROVOOST, Secretary.

Albert Ryckman, as attorney for Eldert Gerbertsen Cruyff, of the honorable court of Albany, has solicited relief from the trouble and commission imposed upon him by said Cruiff, and likewise from the books and papers, made over [to him] by said Cruiff, touching the creditors, also that he, Ryckman, may remain in the further possession of the household stuff and the dwelling house, with the appendances and dependencies of the same, on his paying to the owner of the house 700 guilders in beavers, which was allowed by the honorable court aforesaid, according to their honors' verdict thereon pronounced, of date 21 January, A. D. 167$\frac{4}{5}$; also two special mortgages are charged against Eldert Gerbertsen[3] Cruyff aforesaid, whereof that of Jan Hendrickse Bruyn has the preference according

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[1] Pieter Pieterse Lassingh, afterwards sold his half of the brewery and lots to Sybrant Goosense Van Schaick, who owned it in 1735.—*Annals of Albany*, x, 60.

[2] See note on page 111.

[3] Herbertsen? G and H were used quite promiscuously, and *Goosen* was pronounced *Hozen*.

to the verdict of the honorable court aforesaid, of date Feb. 4, A. D. 167 4/5; wherefore Albert Ryckman,[1] and Stephanus Van Cortlandt as director of the colony Renselaerswyck, are agreed, that said Ryckman shall assume the mortgage of Mr. Jan Hendrickse Bruyn, and that I, Stephanus Van Cortlandt, as director, will be satisfied with the superstructure and the appurtenances of the saw mill on Bethlehem kil, and the house at Bethlehem and the rights, which the aforesaid Cruyff had in Katskil; because we find that the effects of the said Cruyff can reach no further; provided that the aforesaid Ryckman shall be holden to satisfy the said mortgage of Mr. Bruyn, [and having received] some outstanding debts, a cow, some iron work, and certain other trifles, we mutually acknowledge that we are satisfied therewith.

Thus done in Albany, without craft or guile, on this 2nd of June, A. D. 1675.

S. V. Cortlant.[2]
Albert Janse Ryckman.

Acknowledged before me,

Johannes Provoost, Secretary.

Appeared before me Johannes Provoost, Secretary, etc., and in the presence of Adriaen Gerritsen, and Andries Teller, commissaries, etc., Albert Jansen Ryckman, who [declared] by [these presents that], as he had made a contract and agreement with Mr. Stephanus Van Cortlant, director of colony Renselaerswyck, by consent of Jan Hendrickse Bruyn, for the satisfaction of the junior [of two] mortgages, both of which the said Bruyn holds against Eldert Gerbertse Cruyff, so, he, the mortgagor, Albert Janse Ryckman, in consideration of the renouncement which said Henderick Bruyn makes of his claim upon the person of Eldert Gerbertsen Kruyt [Cruyff], by reason of his right of preference for his mortgage against said Kruyff, acknowledges that he is bound and obligated for the payment of said mortgage, assuming the same by these presents as his own debt, amounting to the sum of three hundred and nine and ninety guilders and four stuivers, in good whole merchantable beaver skins, which aforesaid sum of 399 guilders four stuivers and interest on the same at ten per cent. I, Albert Reeckman, promise to pay in two installments; the first, being the just half, in the coming year, A. D. 1676; the other half, a year after, in A. D. 1677, for which payment he pledges as a valid mortgage and special hypothecation, his house, brewhouse, and brewkettle, all as they were bought and the bill of sale thereof mentions, and in preference also to 700 guilders beaver, for which the house still stands indebted to the owner, together with a distiller's kettle, and two heifers, an iron trammel (*hengel*) for a saw mill, an iron pinion, and an iron spindle; and further [he pledges] his person and estate, real and personal, present and future, nothing excepted, for the recovery of payment, in case of need, of the aforesaid three hundred

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[1] Captain Albert Janse Ryckman was a brewer. His house was on the south (?) corner of Hudson street and Broadway, in 1704. 1702-3 he was mayor of the city. His mother, Tryntje Janse, was married to Eldert Gerbertse Cruyff. By his wife, Neeltje Quackenbos, he had twelve children, of whom nine were living and spoken of in his will, made in 1736. He was buried Jan. 12, 1737, and his wife on 17th of Oct., of the following year.

[2] Stephanus Van Cortlandt was son of Oloff Stev. Van Cortlandt. For an account of this family, see O'Callaghan's *History of New Netherland*, 1, 212.

and ninety-nine guilders and four stuivers, in beavers, without cost and loss.

In Albany, on this 2nd June, A. D. 1675.

ALBERT JANSE RYCKMAN.

Adriaen Gerritse.
A. Teller.

Acknowledged before me,

JOHANNES PROVOOST, Secretary.

On this, the 3d day of Aug., 1678, appeared Jan Hendrick Bruyns before the secretary, and acknowledged that he is fully paid and satisfied for the contents of the above standing mortgage, by Albert Janse Ryckman.

Done in Albany, *datum ut supra.*

JAN HENDERCK BRUYNS.

Acknowledged before me,

RO: LIVINGSTON, Secretary.

The Messieurs commissaries of Albany, colony Renselaerswyck and Schanhechtade, declare by these presents, that in true rights, free ownership, they do grant and allow to and for the behoof of Mr. Cornelis Van Dyck, chirurgeon, in a certain parcel of land, lying here in Albany, on the plain,[1] by and upon Mr. Philip Schuyler's, and Pieter Bogardus, [land, and having] to the east, a breadth of thirteen and a half rods; to the south, a length of sixteen and a half rods; on the west, a breadth of eleven rods; and to the north, a length of sixteen rods; for a pasture for a horse, and that free and unencumbered; the same is so done by way of exchange and barter for a little piece of land on the Rutten kil, of one and a half morgens, formerly to him granted by conveyance, of date the 10th of April, A. D. 1673; and which extended so as to inconvenience the range of the burgesses cattle; giving therefore full power to the aforesaid Mr. Cornelis Van Dyck, his heirs and successors, or those who may hereafter acquire right and title from him to dispose thereof as he might do with his own patrimonial estate and effects, and for which he is empowered to solicit a patent of the right honorable governor general.

Done in Albany, this 5th of June, A. D. 1675.

GERRIT VAN SLICHTENHORST.
JACOB SCHERMERHOREN.

Acknowledged before me,

JOHANNES PROVOOST, Secretary.

The Messieurs commissaries of Albany, colony Renselaerswyck and Schanhechtade, declare by these presents that, in true rights, free ownership, they do grant, convey and transfer, to and for the behoof of Mr. Gerrit Van Slichtenhorst, in a certain lot, standing and lying in Albany, hard by the plain, within the town fence [stockadoes], on the survey (?) of Rut Aertse's garden, to the east the street; and is at the west side on the street, in breadth, four rods and two feet; at the south, along the town's fence, in length nine rods ten feet and four inches; breadth in the rear or to the east, six feet; to the north the length [is] from the front on

[1] The plain included the area south of the Rutten kil and east of Pearl street. The Rutten kil is the covered sewer, crossing Pearl street, about equidistant between Beaver and Howard streets, and emptying into the river near the foot of State street.

the street to the rear on the other street; and that free and unencumbered, without their honors making the least claim any more thereupon, and acknowledging that they are fully satisfied and paid therefor, giving therefore full power to the aforesaid Mr. Slichtenhorst, his heirs and successors, or those who may hereafter acquire right and title from him, to do with and dispose of the aforesaid lot as he might do with his other patrimonial estate and effects, granting herewith consent to solicit of the governor general a patent for the same.

Thus done by the court in Albany, on this 27 May, A. D. 1675.

JACOB SCHERMERHOREN.
ADRIAEN GERRETSEN.

Acknowledged before me,

JOHANNES PROVOOST, Secretary.

The Messieurs commissaries of Albany, etc., declare by these presents, that in true rights, free ownership, they do grant, convey and transfer, to and for the behoof of Adriaen Gerritsen, in a certain lot, standing and lying in Albany, hard by the plain, within the town's fence, between the lot of Mr. Slichtenhorst, and Rut Aertse, on the east side the street, and is at the west side, in front on the street, in breadth, three rods and nine feet; to the north on Rut Aertse, in length, nine rods and one foot; in the rear against the other street, being to the east, in breadth, six and thirty feet; on the south side, in length from the front on the street to the rear street; and that free and unencumbered, without the grantor's having the least claim any more upon the same, and acknowledging that they are fully satisfied and paid therefor, giving therefore full power to the aforesaid Adriaen Gerritsen, his heirs and successors, or those who may hereafter receive right and title from him, to do with and dispose of the aforesaid lot, as he might do with his other patrimonial estate and effects, granting him, by these presents, consent to solicit a patent of the right honorable governor general.

Thus done by the court in Albany, on this 27th of May, A. D. 1675.

JACOB SCHERMERHOREN.
A. TELLER.

Acknowledged before me,

JOHANNES PROVOOST, Secretary.

Appeared before me Johannes Provoost, secretary, etc., and in the presence of the honorable Messieurs Adriaen Gerritse, and Andries Teller, commissaries, etc., Sweer Teunissen [Van Velsen],[1] who declared, that he had in true rights, free ownership, granted and conveyed, as he by these presents does grant and convey, in real and actual possession, to and for the behoof of Jan Cornelise Vyselaer,[2] and Lucas Pieterse [Coeymans],[3] his, the grantor's, certain saw mill, together with the kil whereon

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[1] Sweer Teunisse Van Velsen, or Van Westbrook, was one of the early settlers of Schenectady, where he built the first grist mill, in 1669, on the Sand kil, and maintained it until his death, when it passed by bequest to the Dutch church. He married Maritie Mynderse, widow of Jan Barentse Wemp, in 1661. In the sack of the village of Schenectady, in 1690, he was killed, probably leaving no children; for his property was distributed among the children of his widow, by Wemp, and to the church.

[2] *Alias* Gow.

[3] Lucas Pieterse was one of the four brothers Coeymans, who came out in 1636, from Utrecht. He was probably the same person as Lucas Pieterse Houtsager (*houtzaager*, wood or timber sawyer), mentioned in the records.

the mill stands, and two morgens of arable land (*bouwlandt*), lying in the colony Renselaerswyck, up the [Hudson] river, on the east bank over against Stoney point (*steene hoeck*), before this called Poesten mill,[1] together with free egress and a road along the hill, by Pieter Pieterse Van Woggelum's,[2] to the shore, as it has been used before this; which land is a part of the patent granted to him, the grantor, by Governor Richard Nicols, of date the 13th day of April, A. D. 1667; and that free and unencumbered, with no claim, standing or issuing against it, except the lord's right, without the grantor's making the least claim any more upon it, and acknowledging that he is fully satisfied and paid therefor, the first penny with the last; giving therefore full power to the aforesaid Jan Cornelise Vyselaer, and Lucas Pieterse, their heirs and successors, or those who may hereafter acquire right and title from them, to do with and dispose of the same, as they might do with their other patrimonial estates and effects; promising to defend the same against all persons, and to free it from all trouble, claims and charges, which are lawful, and never more to do or suffer anything to be done against the same, either with or without law, in any manner whatsoever, under obligation as provided therefor according to law.

Done in Albany, the 25th of June, A. D. 1675.

SWEER THOONUSSEN.

Adriaen Gerritsen.
A. Teller.

Acknowledged before me,

JOHANNES PROVOOST, Secretary.

Appeared before me Johannes Provoost, secretary, etc., and in the presence of the honorable Adriaen Gerritsen, and Andries Teller, commissaries, etc., Dirck Hesseling, who declared that he had in true rights, free ownership, granted and conveyed, as by these presents he does grant and convey, in real and actual possession, to and for the behoof of Jacob Hevick, a little parcel or lot of land, lying at Lubberden land, in the colony Renselaerswyck, bounded on the east by the highway; to the west, the river bank; to the south, Henderick Reur, deceased; and to the north, Gerrit Swart; breadth, eighty wood feet; and length, from the river bank up to the highway; and that free and unencumbered, excepting the lord's [patroon's?] right, which he does by virtue of a decree of the court, the two certain sentences made against Dirck Schelluyne, the first owner, etc.

[This paper is not executed].

Appeared before me Johannes Provoost, secretary, etc., and in the presence of the afternamed witnesses: Volkert Janse Douw, and Pieter Winne, who declare that, in friendship and amity, they have bargained with each other for a half of the island, lying over against (*de Paerde*

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[1] Hence, perhaps, Poesten kil, the name given to a stream in Rensselaer county. In Dutch, the noun *poesten* signifies bellows — the verb *poesten*, to puff or blow.

[2] Pieter Pieterse Van Woggelum was probably a son of Pieter Adriaense Van Woggelum, *alias* Soegemackelyck, who was one of the first proprietors of Schenectady. Pieter Pieterse Van Woggelum early became possessed of the land, on which the present city of Troy stands, which he sold to Dirk Van Der Heyden. The latter conveyed this farm to his three sons: Jacob, David, and Mattys.— *Deeds*, v 225; *Woodworth's Troy*, 2d ed., passim.

hoeck),[1] Horse Point, and in the manner following: *Firstly.*— Volkert Janse acknowledged, that he had sold, and Pieter Winne, that he had bought of him, the aforesaid half island, lying as aforesaid over against Paerde Hoeck, which was aforetime named Constapel's island. (The other half of which at present belongs to Teunis Spitsbergen, and is leased by Marten Cornelissen [Van Buren]), with the half the house, barn and rick, and all that is thereon fast by earth and nailed; the same shall be delivered free and unencumbered to the buyer, only excepting the lord's [patroon's?] right. For which aforesaid half island, with the half of the house, barn and rick, Pieter Winne promises to pay the number of nine and sixty good whole merchantable beaver skins, six pieces [skins] of which he shall pay down to the seller's wife; the remainder in three installments, each time twenty-one beavers, of which the first shall be on the first of November, next coming; the second on the first of November, A. D. 1676; and the third or last installment, on the first of November, A. D. 1677. Further, it is hereby agreed and conditioned, that, as the aforesaid half island is still under lease to Marten Cornelise for the term of six years, from the first of May last, the lease shall have its full effect; and as [it is rented] for fifty-six schepels of wheat yearly for the whole island, as the seller says, the buyer shall receive five years' rent thereof, and the seller the rent of the current year, each time twenty-eight schepels for the half; wherewith the contracting parties acknowledge that they are well satisfied; pledging hereto for the performance of this contract their respective persons and estates, real and personal, present and future.

Thus done in Albany, in the presence of Adriaen Gerritsen, and Andries Teller, as witnesses, hereto called on this 26th of July, A. D. 1675.

PIETER WINNE.

Adriaen Gerretsen.
A. Teller.

Acknowledged before me,

JOHANNES PROVOOST, Secretary.

Appeared before me Johannes Provoost, secretary, etc., and in the presence of the honorable Adriaen Gerritsen, and Andries Teller, commissaries, etc., Mr. Jan Hendrickse Bruyns, who declared that he, in true rights, free ownership, had granted, conveyed and transferred, as he by these presents does [grant, etc.], to and for the behoof of Myndert Frederickse Smit, here in Albany, his just third part of land, to him belonging, in company with Jan Clute and Jurriaen Teunissen, with all the right and title, which he, the grantor, therein has, according to patent thereof, from the right honorable Governor General Nicols, of date the 25th of May, A. D. 1667, whereto reference is made; and that free and unencumbered, with no claim, standing or issuing against the same, excepting the lord's [duke's] right, without the grantor's making the least claim any more against it, and acknowledging, that he is fully satisfied and paid for the same, the first with the last penny, by him, Myndert Frederickse, giving therefore *plenam actionem cessam*, and full power to the aforesaid Myndert Frederickse, his heirs and successors, or those who hereafter may acquire right and title from him, to do with and dispose of the aforesaid

[1] Paerde Hoeck is spoken of as early as 1643.— *O'Callaghan's History of New Netherland*, i, 410.

third part of land and the appendances of the same, as he might do with his patrimonial estate and effects; promising to defend said third part of land and appendances of the same, against all persons, and to free it from all trouble, claims and charges, which are lawful, and further, never more to do or suffer anything to be done against the same, either with or without law, in any manner whatsoever, under obligation as provided therefor by law.

Done in Albany, this 7th of August, A. D. 1675.

JAN HEINDERCK BRUYNS.

Adriaen Gerretsen.
A. Teller.

Acknowledged before me,

JOHANNES PROVOOST, Secretary.

Appeared before me Johannes Provoost, secretary, etc., and in the presence of honorable Adriaen Gerritsen, and Anderies Teller, commissaries, etc., Mr. Gerrit Swart, and Mr. Adriaen Van Ilpendam, as administrators of the estate of Jan Stuart, deceased, who declare by these presents, that they have granted and conveyed, and in true rights, free ownership, have transferred to and for the behoof of Lourens Van Alen, for a certain house and lot of the aforesaid Jan Stuart, standing and lying in Albany, on the hill, between the house of Evert Janse Kuyper [Cooper], and Wynant Gerritse [Van der Poel], and said lot is according to conveyance from Jan Coneel, of date 20 Aug., A. D. 1670; breadth, twelve feet seven and a half inches, Rynland measure; and length to the rear, six rods and five feet, or according to the bill of sale, as large as it lies inclosed in fence; which being measured by the surveyor, was found to be on Evert Jansen's side, six rods * * * and two inches; on Melgert Wynants[1] side, length six rods six feet and one inch; breadth in the rear, one rod * * ten inches; in front to the street on the hill [?], breadth one rod * * * ten inches, Rynland measure; and that free and unencumbered, with no claim, standing or issuing against the same, excepting the lord's [duke's?] right, without the grantor's in aforesaid character [of administrators], making any further claim upon it, also acknowledging, that they have been fully satisfied and paid by said Lourens Van Alen, the first penny with the last, moreover giving full power to said Lourens Van Alen, his heirs and successors, or those who hereafter may acquire right and title from him, to do with and dispose of the aforesaid house and lot, as he might do with his patrimonial estate and effects; promising to defend said house and lot from all persons, and to free it from all trouble, claims and charges, which are lawful, and never more to do or suffer anything to be done against the same, either with or without law in any manner whatsoever, under obligation as provided therefor by law.

Done in Albany, 11th of Aug., A. D. 1675.

G. SWARTT.
ADRIAEN VAN ILPENDAM.

Adriaen Gerretsen.
A. Teller.

Acknowledged before me,

JOHANNES PROVOOST, Secretary.

[1] Melgert Wynantse Van der Poel, gunstocker, was a son of Wynant Van der Poel. By his two wives: Ariaantje Verplanck, and Elizabeth Teller widow of Abraham Van Tricht, he had ten children, seven sons and three daughters. His lot was in State street, fronting the Fort. He was not living Sept. 19, 1710.

Appeared before me Robert Livingston, secretary of Albany, colony Renselaerswyck, etc., and in the presence of the honorable commissaries of the same jurisdiction, Major Abraham Staets, and Adriaen Gerritz, Jurian Teunissen Tappen,[1] who acknowledges that he is well and truly indebted to Mr. Philip Schuyler, in the quantity of one hundred and fifty good and merchantable beavers, growing out of a matter of moneys paid to Jurian Teunise to his content, which aforesaid hundred and fifty beavers the mortgagor promises to pay to Mr. Schuyler or his order, within the space of one year, commencing on the first of August, A. D. 1675, with interest at ten per cent., pledging therefor specially his house and lot, lying here in Albany, together with his farm,[2] with horses and cattle, and generally his person and estate, real and personal, present and future, without exception, submitting the same to the force of all the duke's (*heeren*) laws and judges, to procure, if need be, the payment thereof without cost and loss.

Done in Albany, the 8th of September, 1675.

JUREJAN TUNSEN.

Abram Staes.
Adriaen Gerretsen.

In my presence,

RO. LIVINGSTON, Secry.

Appeared before me Robert Livingston, secretary of Albany, etc., and in the presence of the afternamed witnesses, Mr. Nehemiah Pearse, and Samuel Holman, who declare that they, in friendship and amity, have agreed and contracted with each other about the sale of a house, in manner following: *First.*—Nehemiah acknowledges that he has sold, and Samuel Holman, that he has bought of him, his, Nehemiah Pearse's, house and lot, lying here on the hill, where now Elias Van Ravesteyn lives, for which he, the buyer, promises to pay to the seller the sum of thirty pound sterling, in Boston money, and that on or before the 21st of July, 1676, coming, to wit, twenty pounds here in Albany in duffels and stroudwaters, free from all freight and customs, the duffels at 40 per cent. advance on England, and the stroudwaters at 50 per cent; and the remaining ten pounds as the parties can agree, to wit, to be paid out of such goods as said Holman shall bring up here, and if Nehemiah Pearse does not like such goods as said Holman shall bring here, he must wait until the second journey, always understanding that said Pearse shall have a choice of said Holman's wares; as it regards the rent of the aforesaid house, the seller shall receive it until the first of June next coming; but the buyer shall from this time forward have possession of said house, and the seller shall provide and well point with lime, the pan tiles lying upon the aforesaid house; with which the contracting parties are mutually well satisfied as being arranged without craft or guile, and the respective parties pledge their persons and estates for the observance of these presents.

Thus done in Albany, in presence of Jan Byvanck,[3] and Dirk Wesselse

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[1] Perhaps the same person as Juriaen Teunise Glazemaker.

[2] This farm lay on the east bank of the Hudson river, and on the north side of the Wynants kil.

[3] Jan Byvanck of Oldenzee, Holland, was born in 1637. In 1666 he married Bolitje Evertse Duyching, of New York; and in 1692 he married Sara Frans, of the same place. Of his children, three: Hendricus, Gerrit and Maria, are recorded in the records of the Albany church. He probably had other children, who settled in New York.

[Ten Broeck], as witnesses hereto called, this twenty-first day of October, 1675.

NEHEMIAH PEARS.
SAMUELL HOLMAN.

Jan Byvanck.
Dierck Wesselse.

Appeared before me Robert Livingston, secretary of Albany, etc., and in presence of the afternamed witnesses: Elmer Otte,[1] and the honorable Domine Nicholas Van Renselaer,[2] who declare that they, in friendship and amity, have agreed and contracted with each other, about the sale of a house and lot, standing and lying here in Albany, in Joncker [now State] street, being a corner house, bounded on the west by the house of Johannes Witthardt, and on the east the highway, in manner following: *First.*— Helmer Otten acknowledges that he has sold, and Dom. Nicholas Van Renselaer that he has bought the aforesaid house and lot, for which he, the buyer, promises to pay to the seller the sum of two hundred good merchantable beavers, in three payments, to wit, a third part of the two hundred beavers on the first of April, 1676, and the third part on the first of January, 1677, and the third third part on the first of April, 1678; the seller promises to make the aforesaid house water tight, roof tight, and glass tight, also to leave ten posts for the fence; it being understood that the seller has nothing to do with the cellar only to make the glass tight. The seller also promises to furnish sureties against all trouble, claims or charges, and also to give a proper conveyance thereof to the buyer, so soon as the last installment is paid. The seller has made delivery of the aforesaid house and lot to the buyer to-day; about which the contracting parties are mutually well satisfied as being done without craft or guile; the parties respectively pledging their persons and estates for the observance of the same.

Thus done in Albany, in the presence of Jan Byvanck, and Juriaen Janse Groenwout,[3] as witnesses, hereto invited, on this 6 Nov., 1675, and in the 27th year of the reign of our sovereign Lord, Charles, by the grace of God, King of Great Britain, France and Ireland, defender of the faith, etc.

HELMER OTTEN.
NICOLAUS VAN RENSSELAER.

Jan Byvanck.
This is the mark + of Juriaen Janse Groenwout, with his own hand set.

In my presence,

RO. LIVINGSTON.

Appeared [before] me Robert Livingston, secretary, etc., in the presence of the afternamed witnesses, Christopher Skaysse, and Samuel Massie,

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[1] Helmer Otten was a baker. His wife, Adriaantje Arentse, was daughter of Arent Andriese Bratt, one of the first proprietors of Schenectady. In 1670 he purchased a bouwery of 26 morgens at Schenectady of Pieter Adrianense Van Woggelum, *alias* Soegemackelyck, and within a few years died, leaving one daughter, Catharyna, who subsequently married Gerrit Symonse Veeder. His widow married Ryer Schermerhorn, who became possessed of Otten's bouwery, portions of which are still held by the family.

[2] See O'Callaghan's *History of New Netherland*, 1, 122.

[3] Juriaen Janse Groenwout was a licensed butcher in Albany, in 1670. His wife was Maritie Tomase Mingael, widow of Cornelis Teunise Bosch [Van Westbroeck], by whom he had a daughter, Wyntie, wife of Pieter Bogardus. She was not living in 1661.

who acknowledge that they are justly and honestly indebted, etc., and in arrears to Mr. Nehemiah Pears, for the use of Mr. [Samuel] Wilson, in the sum of eight hundred and thirty-eight guilders, seewant, for goods, received to theirs atisfaction, to be paid in beavers, seewant, or wheat of beavers value, on or before the 25th of March, 1676, pledging therefor generally and specially their persons and estates, jointly and severally, real and personal, present and future, nothing excepted, submitting the same to the force of all the duke's (*heeren*) laws and judges, to promote the payment thereof if need be, without cost or loss.

Done in Albany, in the presence of Dirk Albertse Bradt, and Johannes Wandelaer, as witnesses hereto invited, on this 4th day of December, 1675.

CHRISTOPHER SKAYSSE.
SAM^LL^ MASSIE.

Dirck Albertse Brat.[1]
Johannes de Wandelaer.

In my presence,
RO. LIVINGSTON, Secretary.

Appeared before me Ro. Livingston, secry., etc., and in the presence of these afternamed witnesses, Richard Pretty, who declared that he was fully paid by Jan Coneel as it respects the mortgage, which he had upon said Jan Coneel's house and lot in Albany, inasmuch as Mr. Andries Teller has promised to satisfy said Pretty to his content, according to contract, witnessing the same with his own signature on this 31st day of December, 1675, in Albany, in presence of Mr. Nehemiah Pears, and James Penniman, as witnesses hereto called.

RICHARD PRETTY.

Nehemiah Pears.
James Peniman.

In my presence,
RO. LIVINGSTON, Secr.

Appeared before me Robert Livingston, secretary, etc., and in the presence of the honorable commissaries, etc., Mr. Philip Schuyler, and Pieter Winne, Dirk Henderickse Sweedt,[2] who declared that he in true rights, free ownership, has granted, conveyed and transferred by these presents, to and for the behoof of Pieter Du Moree, for a certain lot of land lying behind the Kinderhoeck; to the west of the kil, to the south of Jan Martensen,[3] to the east of Jan Martensen, and that free and unencumbered, with no claim standing or issuing against it, excepting the lord's right, without the grantor's having the least claim any more upon the same, and acknowledging himself fully satisfied and paid therefor, the first penny with the last, giving therefore *plenam actionem cessam*, and full power to the aforesaid Pieter Du Moree, his heirs and successors, or those who may hereafter acquire title from him, to do with and dispose of the aforesaid lot as he might do with his patrimonial estate and effects; promising to defend the same against all persons, and to free

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[1] Dirk Albertse Bratt was one of the five sons of Albertse Andriese Bratt.

[2] Or Dirk Hendrickse Bye de Sweedt.

[3] Probably Jan Martense Wever, or De Wever, who, in 1657, owned a house near Fort Orange. Page 60.

it from all actions, claims and charges, which may hereafter arise and are lawful, and further, never more to do or allow anything to be done against the same, either with or without law, in any manner whatsoever, under obligation as provided therefor by law.

Done in Albany, the 7th of March, 167$\frac{5}{6}$.

This is the mark of SARAH + VERHAELE, wife of DIRK HENDRIKSE, with her own hand set.

Philip Schuyler.
Pieter Winne.

In my presence,

RO. LIVINGSTON, Secr.

Appeared before me Ro. Livingston, secretary, etc., and in the presence of the honorable commissaries, etc., Mr. Adriaen Gerritse [Papendorp], and Richard Pretty, Cornelis Teunisse, who acknowledged that he is well and truly indebted and in arrears to Mr. Andries Teller, merchant, here in the sum of nine hundred and seventy guilders in beavers, at eight guilders for a merchantable beaver, and a hundred and fifty-four guilders in seewant, growing out of merchandise, received to his content, which aforesaid nine hundred and seventy-one guilders in beavers, and one hundred and fifty-four guilders seewant, the mortgagor promises to pay to Mr. Teller or his order in manner following. *First.*— Four hundred guilders in beavers, he, the mortgagor, promises to pay on the first of November next coming, and the remaining five hundred and seventy-one guilders in beavers, and one hundred and fifty-four guilders seewant in January, February or March, 167$\frac{6}{7}$, and failing [in the payment] of the aforesaid five hundred and seventy-one guilders beavers, and one hundred and fifty-four guilders seewant; the mortgagor shall be holden to pay interest, at ten per cent yearly; pledging specially his, the mortgagor's, two cows, five heifers in their third year, two gelded horses, two mares, one of five and the other of seven years of age, and seventy schepel of winter wheat (*cooren*) sowed, which at present stands upon the land, and all on the bouwery at Paepsknee, which the mortgagor at present possesses, and generally his person and estate, real and personal, present and future, nothing excepted, submitting the same to the force of all the duke's laws and judges for the recovery if need be of the payment thereof, without cost and loss.

Done in Albany, on this 5th day of April, 1676.

CORNELUS TEUNISZ.[1]

Adriaen Gerretsen.
Richard Pretty.

Before me,

RO. LIVINGSTON, Secr.

Appeared before me Robert Livingston, secretary, etc., and in presence of the honorable commissaries, etc., Mr. Adriaen Gerritse [Papendorp], and Mr. Richard Pretty; Pieter Meese [Vrooman], and his wife, Volkje Pieterse, who declare that they, in true rights, free ownership, have

[1] Cornelus Teunisse Van Vechten, *alias* Keesom, was a son of Teunis Dirkse Van Vechten, and lived at Paepsknee. He had two wives: 1st, Annatie Leendertse; and 2nd, Maria Lucase, widow of Jacob Claas, whom he married in 1689. He had a large family of children, among whom were at least four sons: Lucas, Salomon, Dirk, Leendert.

granted, conveyed and transferred by these presents, to and for the behoof of Mr. Frederic Phillipse, a merchant of New York, in their house and lot, standing and lying hard by the church of this town, in Joncker [now State] street, next the house of Mr. Jan Withart, on the one side, and the house that Mr. [De] Laval owned, and that Pieter Hartgers caused to be built on the other side, as it at present lies inclosed in fence; and that free and unencumbered, except the sum of eighty beavers, which Pieter Meese Vrooman has assigned to his son Matthys Pieterse Vrooman, upon the aforesaid house, according to instrument of date the 18th of February, 167$\frac{4}{5}$, with no other claim, standing or issuing against the same, excepting the duke's (*heerensyn*) right, without the grantor's making the least claim any more upon the same, and acknowledging that he is fully satisfied and paid for the same the first penny as well as the last, giving therefore *plenam actionem cessam*, and full power to the aforesaid Frederic Phillipse, his heirs and successors, or those who hereafter may acquire title from them, to do with and dispose of said house and lot, as they might do with their patrimonial estate and effects; promising to defend the same against all persons, and to free it from all actions, claims and charges, which may hereafter arise and are lawful, and further, neither to do nor suffer anything to be done against the same, either with or without law, in any manner whatsoever, under obligation as provided therefor according to law.

Done in Albany, on this 9th day of May, 1676.

PIETER MEESEN VROOMAN.
FOLCKETEN PIETERS.

Adriaen Gerretsen.
Richard Pretty.

In my presence,
RO. LIVINGSTON, Secr.

Volkje Pieterse, widow of the late P. Meese Vrooman, brought the following satisfaction under the hand of Frederick Flipsen respecting the house mentioned in the aforesaid conveyance:

I, the subscriber, give permission to Folckie Pieterse, in regard to a mortgage, which I have hitherto had upon her house, that said Volkje may receive her money in full, and that I have no more right or claim upon said house.

New York, this 30th of May, 1685.

FREDERIK FLIPSEN.

Thus registered at the request of said Volkje Pieterse.
ROBT LIVINGSTON, Secr.

The messieurs commissaries of Albany, colony Renselaerswyck and Schaenhechtady, declare by these presents that they, in true rights, free ownership, do grant, convey and transfer to and for the behoof of Jacob Tysse Van der Heyden,[1] in a certain lot, standing and lying in Albany, hard by the Plain, within the town's fence [stockadoes], on the corner of the Plain street; breadth on the road, twenty-seven feet and a half; on the road in the rear, against the new grave yard (*kerkhoff*), eleven feet; south, the town's fence, three rods; north, Jan Clute's lot, three

[1] Jacob Tysse Van der Heyden was a tailor in New Amsterdam, in 1653. In 1655, he married Anna Hals, in Amsterdam, and soon after settled in Beverwyck. In 1691 he was not living; his widow was then keeping a public house. He left one son, Dirk.

rods; and that free and unencumbered, without the grantor's having the least claim any more upon it (being granted in recompense or requital for his lot and house, which he had on the hill, without the town's gate[1] by Rosseboom's), giving therefore *plenam actionem cessam*, and full power to the aforesaid Jacob Tyssen Van der Heyden, his heirs and successors, or those who hereafter may acquire title from him, to do with and dispose of the aforesaid lot as he might do with his other patrimonial estate and effects, granting herewith consent to solicit from the right honorable governor general a patent (*grondbrief*).

Thus done by the honorable court in Albany, on this 20th of May, 1676.

ADRIAEN GERRETSEN.
RICHARD PRETTY.

In my presence,
RO. LIVINGSTON, Secr.

Appeared before me Ro. Livingston, secretary, etc., and in presence of the honorable commissaries, etc., Mr. Adriaen Gerritse, and Mr. Richard Pretty, Jacob Tysse Van der Heyden, who declared that he had sold, granted and conveyed as he by these presents does grant and convey in real and actual possession to and for the behoof of Willem Loveridge, his lot, lying in Albany, hard by the Plain, within the town's fence, on the corner of the Plain street; breadth on the road, seven and twenty feet; and on the road in the rear, against the new grave yard (*kerkhoff*), eleven feet; south in length, three rods; and north, three rods; which the grantor does by virtue of the conveyance, received by him from the honorable commissaries, of date the 20th of May, 1676, whereto reference is made, besides granting him consent to solicit a patent from the right honorable the governor general; and that free and unencumbered, with no claim standing or issuing against it, excepting the duke's right, without the grantor's making the least claim any more against the same, and acknowledging that he is fully satisfied and paid therefor, giving, therefore *plenam actionem cessam*, and full power to said Willem Loveridge,[2] his heirs and successors, and those who hereafter may acquire title from him, to do with and dispose of the aforesaid lot, as he might do with his other patrimonial estate and effects; promising to defend the same against all persons, and free it from all trouble, claims and charges, which may hereafter arise, and never more to do or suffer anything to be done against the same, either with or without law, in any manner whatsoever, under obligation as provided therefor by law.

Done in Albany, on this 20th day of May, 1676.

JACOB TYSSEN VAN DER HEYDEN.

Adriaen Gerretsen.
Richard Pretty.
Acknowledged before me,
RO. LIVINGSTON, Secr.

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[1] This gate was near the junction of North Pearl and Steuben streets.

[2] Willem Loveridge, Senior, owned a farm at Catskil, in 1680, and petitioned for an addition to it of 40 acres. The Willem Loveridge above, was probably Willem Loveridge, Junior. He was accused, in 1676, of charging the Dutch with selling the Northern Indians gunpowder and imprisoned until he prove the charge, failing of which he was fined 20 beavers. In 1678, he, with others, was condemned and sentenced for setting up a scandalous tree before the door of one Thompson, and in extenuation he writes, that it is the custom of the place; nevertheless his sentence was confirmed.—*English Manuscripts.*

Appeared before me Ro. Livingston, secretary, etc., and in the presence of the afternamed witnesses, Jan Janse Bleecker,[1] and Jacob Sanderse Glen, attorneys for Jan Hendrickse Van Bael of the one side, and Mr. Timothy Cooper of the other side, who declared, in friendship and amity, that they had covenanted and agreed with each other, in regard to the sale of a house and lot, standing and lying here in Albany on the hill, in breadth and length as it lies in fence; to the south bounding upon the house of Jan Tomase, and to the north Marte Hoffman,[2] and east and west the street, according to the patent of the right honorable governor general R. Nicolls, of date the 30th of April, 1667. *First.*—The aforesaid attorneys acknowledge, that they have sold, and Timothy Cooper, that he has bought, the aforesaid house and lot, with all that is fast by earth and nailed, for which he, Cooper, promises to pay to the sellers or their order, the sum of seventy good whole merchantable beavers of one and a half pounds a piece, one with another, in two installments, a just half each; the first installment in the month of July next coming, and the last in the month of July, 1677; the sellers promising to deliver the aforesaid house and lot in their present condition; so soon as the first installment is paid, a full conveyance [shall be given], and the patent with the last installment, only excepting the lord's right; but as the aforesaid house is occupied by Jacob Ten Eyck,[3] who has leased the house until, the first of May, 1677, the rent comes to the seller [buyer?], from the time the first payment is made, with which the contracting parties are mutually well satisfied as being done without craft or guile, said parties respectively pledging their persons and estates, for the performance of these [conditions].

Thus done in Albany, in the presence of Tho. Sharp, and Wm. Parker, as witnesses hereto invited, on this 26th of May, and in the 27th year of the reign of our sovereign lord Charles, by the grace of God, king of Great Britain, France and Ireland, defender of the faith, etc., Annoq. Dom. 1676.

JAN JANSZ BLEEKER.
JACOB SANDERSE GLEN.[4]
TIMOTHY COOPER.

Testes.
Thos. Sharp.
Wm Parker.

In my presence,
RO. LIVINGSTON, Secretary.

Appeared before me Ro. Livingston, secretary, etc., and in the presence of the honorable Major Abm. Staas, and Adriaen Gerritse, commissaries,

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[1] Jan Janse Bleecker was born in 1641, in Meppel, province of Overyssel; he came to Albany, in 1658. He was for several years a magistrate, recorder of the city, member of the general assembly, and, in 1700, mayor. By his wife, Margaret Rutse, daughter of Rutger Jacobsen, he had nine children. He died 21st of November, 1732, aged ninety-one years, and was buried in the church.

[2] Marten Hoffman came from New York, where, in 1675, he owned a house and lot, which he sold to Jno. Manning.—*English Manuscripts.*

[3] Jacob Coenradse Ten Eyck was probably a son of Coenrad Ten Eyck, of New York. He was by trade a shoemaker; by his wife, Geertje Coemans, daughter (?) of Barent Coemans, he had four sons: Coenrat, Barent, Andries, and Hendrik; and two daughters: Mayke, and Jenneke. His widow made her will in 1716, proved in 1736. She died 1 March, 1736.

[4] Jacob Sanderse Glen was the eldest son of Alexander Leendertse Glen. He settled in Albany, whilst the rest of the family removed to Schenectady. By his wife, Catharine Van Witbeck, he had three sons and two daughters. After his death, in 1683, his widow married Jonas Volkertse Douw. In 1680 he owned a lot on the south side of State street, the second west of Pearl street, which was afterwards occupied by Harmanus Wendell, who married his daughter Anna.

etc., Mr. Nehemiah Pears, who declared, that he had granted and conveyed, as he by these presents does grant and convey, in real and actual possession, to and for the behoof of Mr. Samuel Holman, his house and lot, lying in Albany, on the hill, with all that therein is fast by earth and nailed; bounded on the east side by Claes Van Rotterdam, on the south side Gerrit Lansing, on the north and west sides by the highway; breadth in front on the street, twenty-five feet; and in the rear on Gerrit Lansing's it stretches from the upper corner down in a straight line along said Lansing's house drip free, and is in the rear fourteen feet, less two inches broad; and the length on the south side is four rods six feet and three inches; all as it at present lies enclosed in fence, which he, the grantor, does [convey] by virtue of a conveyance, received by him from Eyert Janse Wendell, of date the 21st of April, 1675, to which reference is made, and that free and unencumbered, with no claim standing or issuing against it, excepting the lord's right, without the grantor's making the least claim any more upon the same; acknowledging that he is fully satisfied and paid therefor, giving therefore full power to the said Samuel Holman, his heirs and successor, or those who may hereafter acquire right and title from him, to do with and dispose of the aforesaid house and lot as he might do with his other patrimonial estate and effects; promising to defend the same against all persons, and to free it from all trouble, claims or charges, which may hereafter arise, and never more to do or suffer anything to be done against the same, either with or without law in any manner whatsoever, under obligation as provided therefor by law.

Done in Albany, this 5th of July, 1676.

NEHEMIAH PEARCE.

Abram Staas.
Adriaen Gerretsen.

Acknowledged before me,

RO. LIVINGSTON, Secretary.

On this sixth day of July, 1676, appeared before me Robert Livingston, secretary, etc., and in presence of the afternamed witness, Captain Philip Schuyler, who acknowledges that he is well and truly indebted and in arrears to Mr. Jeronimus Ebbink,[1] in the quantity of an hundred and fifty good and merchantable beaver skins, growing out of the second payment on the bouwery, bought by Juriaen Teunisse [Glasemaker, or Tappen], of Madam Ebbink, which aforesaid hundred and fifty beavers the mortgagor promises to pay to Mr. Ebbink, or to his order, or to send to him before or on the first day of August next coming, for which payment pledging his person and estate, real and personal, present and future, nothing excepted, submitting the same to the force of all the duke's [*heeren*] laws and judges, to promote the payment (if need be) thereof, without cost and loss.

Done in Albany, of date *ut supra.*

PHILIP SCHUYLER.

Adriaen Gerretsen.
Willem Teller.

In my presence,

RO: LIVINGSTON, Secretary.

[1] In 1659, 1661, and 1673, he was schepen in New York. Madam Ebbingh was the widow of the late Johan De Hulter, and daughter of Johannes De Laet.

Appeared before me Ro. Livingston, secretary, etc., and in the presence of the afternamed witnesses, Juriaen Teunise Tappen, who promised to deliver to Captain Philip Schuyler, the quantity of sixty ankers of good and merchantable rum (which he shall receive from Mr. [De] La Vall, in the sale of his house), growing out of the second payment on the bouwery, which said Schuyler has paid for Juriaen Teunise, and that in the space of three months after the date of the contract, for which [payment] pledging his person and estate, real and personal, present and future, nothing excepted, submitting the same to the force of the duke's (*heeren*) laws and judges, to promote the payment thereof, if need be, without cost and loss.

Done in Albany, in the presence of Major Abr^m Staas, and Richard Pretty, as witnesses, hereto invited, on this 7th day of July, 1676.

JURE TUNISSEN.

Abram Staas.
Richard Pretty.

I being present,

RO. LIVINGSTON, Secr.

Appeared before me Ro. Livingston, secretary, etc., in the presence of the honorable commissaries, etc., Mr. Adriaen Gerritse, and Mr. Richard Pretty, Mr. Jeronimus Ebbink, husband and guardian of Madam Johanna de Laet, who declared that he had, in true rights, free ownership, granted, conveyed and transferred to and for the behoof of Jurian Teunisse Tappen, in a certain bouwery, lying in the colony Renselaerswyck, where Jurian aforesaid at present dwells, with dwelling house, barn and two ricks, likewise eight draft horses, among which six mares, and two geldings, and four cows, moreover all the land, as well arable as pasture land, as the same lies in fence between two kils,[1] all by virtue of the contract and conveyance thereof, passed between Mr. Jeremias Van Renselaer, deceased, late director of the colony before named, and Madam Johanna De Laet for her tenth part, being her just tenth part of the colony, the same being of date of the 21st of June, 1674, whereto reference is made, only excepting the lord's right, without the grantor's having the least claim any more upon the same, acknowledging that he is fully satisfied and paid therefor, the first penny with the last, giving therefore *plenam actionem cessam*, and full power to the aforesaid Jurian Teunise Tappen, his heirs and successors, or those who may hereafter acquire right and title from him, to dispose of the aforesaid bouwery and appurtenances, as he might do with his own patrimonial estate and effects; promising to defend the same against all persons, and to free it from all trouble, claims and charges, which are lawful, and further, never more to do or suffer anything to be done against the same, either with or without

[1] In 1674 (*Records*, p. 250), Jeronimus Ebbingh owned a bouwery on the north side of the Wynants kil. The two kils, above mentioned, were perhaps the Wynants and Poesten kils. In 1675, Pieter Pieterse Van Woggelum owned a bouwery, south of the Poesten kil (*Ibid.*, p. 271). Ebbingh's and Van Woggelum's bouweries comprised the ground, now covered by the city of Troy. This tract was purchased in 1720 by Dirk Vanderheyden, consisting of 490 acres, subject to an annual rent to the patroon of three bushels and three pecks of wheat and four fat fowls. See Woodworth's *Reminiscences of Troy*, 2d ed., p. 8.

law, in any manner whatsoever, under obligation as provided therefor, according to law.

Done in Albany, the 7th of July, 1676.

JERONIMUS EBBINGH.

Adriaen Gerretse.
Richard Pretty.

In my presence,

RO. LIVINGSTON, Secr.

Appeared before me Ro. Livingston, secretary, and in presence of the honorable Adriaen Gerritse, and Richard Pretty, commissaries, etc., Stoffel Janse Abell, who declared that he had in true rights, free ownership, granted, conveyed and transferred, as he by these presents does grant and convey, in actual and real possession, to and for the behoof of Claas Janse Stavast, his, grantor's, house and lot, standing and lying in Albany, bounded to the south by Claas Jansen's, to the north by Leendert Philipse [Conyn], to the east by the river, and to the west by the highway, and is in length, nine rods; and in breadth, thirty-six wood feet; and that free and unencumbered, with no claim standing or issuing against the same, only excepting the lord's right, which he does by virtue of the patent, of date 30th of April, 1667, to him granted by the governor, Richard Nicolls, and acknowledging, that he is fully paid and satisfied therefor, the first penny with the last, giving therefore full power to the aforesaid Claes Janse Stavast, his heirs and successors, or those who hereafter may acquire right and title from him, to do with and dispose of the aforesaid house and lot, as he might do with his patrimonial estate and effects; promising to defend the same against all persons, and to free it from all trouble, claims and charges, which are lawful, and further, never more to do or suffer anything to be done against the same, either with or without law, in any manner whatsoever, under obligation as provided therefor by law.

Done in Albany, the 25th July, 1676.

STOFFEL JANSE ABEEL.

Adriaen Gerretsen.
Richard Pretty.

In my presence,

RO. LIVINGSTON, Secr.

Appeared before me Ro. Livingston, secretary, etc., and in presence of the honorable Adriaen Gerritse, and Mr. Richard Pretty, commissaries, etc., Captain Hans Hendrickse, and Johannes Wendell, who declared that they do, in true rights, free ownership, grant, convey and transfer to and for the behoof of Hendrick Jillise Meyer,[1] in their grantor's, two-third's part of a house and lot, standing and lying in New York, in the Pearl street, their inheritance as lawful heirs of Gillis Pieterse,[2] deceased, whereof the other third part belongs to Hendrick Gillise as his inheritance of the third part, all the effects of Gillis Pieterse, deceased, according to the will. The house is bounded to the south, by the fort in Pearl street; to the east, by Gillis Pieterse; to the west, by Jan

[1] In 1703, cordwainer of New York.—*English Manuscripts.*
[2] In 1657 and 1665, he owned lots in Beverwyck.—*Records*, p. 59, 184, 195.

Scepmoes; and is in breadth, in front on the street, on the north side, two rods five feet; in the rear, on the south side, two rods four feet and five inches; in length, on the west side, next Jan Janse Scepmoes, eight rods eight feet and four inches; and on the east side, next Gillis Pieterse, eight rods eight feet and six inches, amounting altogether to twenty-one rods nine feet three inches, and three barleycorns; and that free and unencumbered, with no claim standing or issuing against the same, only excepting the lord's right, which they do by virtue of the patent, of date the tenth of June, 1667, granted to Gillis Pieterse, by the governor, Richard Nicolls, which patent is left with them, as being participants in the hereditary goods of Gillis Pieterse, and they, the grantors, acknowledge, that they are fully paid and satisfied, the first penny with the last, for their two-thirds, which they claim in the aforesaid house, giving therefore *plenam actionem cessam*, and full power to the aforenamed Henderick Gillise Myer, his heirs and successors, or those who may hereafter acquire right and title from him, to do with and to dispose of the aforesaid house and lot, as he might do with his patrimonial estate and effects; promising to defend the same against all persons, and to free it from all trouble, claims and charges as is right, and further, never more to do or suffer anything to be done against the same, either with or without law, in any manner whatsoever, under obligation as provided therefor by law.

Done in Albany, the 25th of July, 1676.

HANS HEINDRICKSE.[1]
JOHANNES WENDEL.[2]

Adriaen Gerretsen.
Richard Pretty.

In my presence,
RO. LIVINGSTON, Secr.

The Messieurs commissaries of Albany, colony Renselaerswyck and Schanhechtady, declare by these presents, that they do, in true rights, free ownership, grant, convey and transfer, to and for the behoof of the diaconate here in Albany, in a certain lot, standing and lying in Albany, hard by the plain within the town's fence, on the corner of the Plain street, bounded on the south side by the town's fence [stockadoes]; on the north side, by Mr. Gerrit Van Slichtenhorst; on the east and west the highway; length, south and north [sides], ten rods; breadth in front on the street, two rods; and in the rear, one rod; and that free and unencumbered, without their honors having the least claim any more upon the same, having granted it to them in recompense or requital for their house and lot, which they had upon the hill without the gate[3] by Rooseboom's, giving therefore *plenam actionem cessam*, and full power to the aforesaid

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[1] Captain Hans Hendrikse's house stood on the east side of Broadway, next north of Bleecker Hall. By his wife, Eva Jillise Myer, he had four children: Hendrik, Margareta, Johannes, and Elsje, who were living, and mentioned in his will, made in 1691. His descendants have assumed the surname of Hansen.

[2] Captain Johannes Wendel was a son of Evert Janse Wendel, the first settler. He was a merchant; in 1681, a magistrate; in 1685, commissioned captain; and in 1690, commissioner to treat with the Five Nations, and superintend the affairs for the defense of Albany. By his first wife, Maritie Jillise Myer, he had two children; by his second, Elizabeth Staats, ten children. His house stood on the south side of State street, west of Pearl. His will was proved 9 Feb., 1691-2, his wife Elizabeth executrix.

[3] This gate was near the junction of North Pearl and Steuben streets.

diaconate or to those who may hereafter acquire title from them, to do with and dispose of the aforesaid lot, as they deal with and dispose of their other estate, granting herewith consent to solicit of the governor general a patent for the same.

Thus done in Albany, on the 5th of August, 1676.

ADRIAEN GERRETSEN.
RICHARD PRETTY.

Appeared before me Ro. Livingston, secretary, etc., and in the presence of the honorable commissaries, etc., Monsieur Adriaen Gerritse, and Mr. Richard Pretty; the diaconate of the town of Albany, who declared that they had in true rights, free ownership, granted and conveyed, as by these presents they do grant and convey, in real and actual possession, to and for the behoof of Mr. Cornelis Van Dyck, chirurgeon, in a certain piece of hop land, lying down in the Third kil [Fox creek], bounded eastwardly by Ryer Elbertse, westwardly by the kil, south and north the hill, and is in length, on the south side, thirty-one rods; on the north side, thirty rods; breadth on the west side, fifteen rods; on the east side, twenty-three rods; and that free and unencumbered, with no claim standing or issuing against the same, only excepting the lord's right, which they do by virtue of a conveyance to them, given by Andries De Vos, of date the first of April, 1675, according to patent thereof, granted to said De Vos by Governor Richard Nicols, of date the 10th of September, 1667, and these grantors acknowledge, that they are fully paid and satisfied therefor, the first penny with the last, giving therefore to the aforesaid C. Van Dyck, his heirs and successor, or those who hereafter may acquire right and title from him, full power to do with and dispose of the aforesaid lot, as he might do with his patrimonial estate and effects; promising to defend the same against all persons, and to free it from all trouble, claims and charges as is right, and further, never more to do or suffer anything to be done against the same, either with or without law, in any manner whatsoever, under obligation as provided therefor by law.

Done in Albany the 10th of August, 1676.

DAVIDT SCHUYLER.
A. TELLER.

Adriaen Gerretsen.
Richard Pretty.

Acknowledged before me,
RO. LIVINGSTON, Secr.

Appeared before me Ro. Livingston secr., etc., and in the presence of the honorable commissaries, etc., Mr. Adriaen Gerritse and Mr. Richard Pretty, the diaconate of this town, who declare that they do in true rights, free ownership, grant and convey to and for the behoof of Mr. Gabriel Thomase [Stridles] in a certain lot, situate and lying in Albany hard by the plain within the town's fence, on the corner of the Plain street, bounded on the south side by the town's fence, on the north side by Mr. Gerrit Van Slichtenhorst, on the west and east sides by the highway; length south and north ten rods, breadth in front on the street two rods, and on the rear one rod, which these grantors do by virtue of a conveyance to them given by the honorable commissaries, of date the fifth of

August, to which reference is made, granting them likewise consent to solicit of the right honorable the governor general a patent, giving therefore to the aforenamed Gabriel Thomase, his heirs and successors, or those who may hereafter acquire title from him, full power to do with and dispose of the aforesaid lot, as he might do with his patrimonial estate and effects.

Thus done in Albany the 10th of August, 1676.

DAVIDT SCHUYLER.
A. TELLER.

Adriaen Gerretsen.
Richard Pretty.

In my presence,

RO. LIVINGSTON, Secr.

Appeared before me Ro. Livingston, secr., etc., and in the presence of the honorable commissaries, etc., Mr. Adriaen Gerritse [Papendorp] and Mr. Richard Pretty, Harmen Janse [Van Salsbergen], who acknowledged that he is well and truly indebted to the widow and children of the late Pieter Van Ale in the sum of two hundred and one guilders in beavers, at 8 guilders the merchantable beaver, growing out of the purchase of a certain bouwery bought of said Van Ale, which aforesaid two hundred and one guilders in beavers, this mortgagor promises to pay to the widow and children before the 13th of October next coming, pledging specially his, the mortgagor's, bouwery lying in the land of Kinderhook before this belonging to Pieter Van Ale, deceased, together with his house and lot standing and lying in Albany, at present inhabited by him, to the south of Paulus Martense [Van Benthuysen] and to the north of Pieter Loockerman's, and generally his person and estate, real and personal, present and future, nothing excepted, submitting the same to the force of all the duke's (*heeren*) laws and judges, to promote the payment thereof if need be, without cost or loss.

Done in Albany on this 13th day of August, 1676.

HARMEN JANSE.

Adriaen Gerretsen.
Richard Pretty.

In my presence,

RO. LIVINGSTON, Secr.

Appeared before me Ro. Livingston, secr., etc., and in the presence of the afternamed witnesses, the widow of Thomas Paulussen [Powell] on the one side and Paulus Martense on the other side, who declared that they in amity and friendship had agreed and covenanted with each other respecting the purchase of a house and lot, standing and lying here in Albany next to Dominie Gideon Schaets, bounded on the south and west by the streets, on the north by the house of [De] Lavall; length to the north ten rods, in front on the street the breadth is two rods and ten feet, on the south the length is ten rods eight feet and a half, on the west along the fence of Mr. [De] Lavall's house, the breadth is five rods and three feet, which aforesaid lot is a part of a patent which the seller promises to deliver free and unencumbered, excepting only the lord's right; the delivery of the aforesaid house and lot stands at the option and choice of the seller, to be done between this and May next coming, provided that

the payment of the first installment shall be made in beavers, the half of sixty-four merchantable [beavers] whole and good, at 8 guilders a piece stretched; the other half being thirty-two beavers, he, the buyer, to be holden to pay in the space of one year from this date, when a proper conveyance shall be delivered to him; for the performance of the above mentioned conditions, the contracting parties mutually pledge their respective persons and estates, real and personal, present and future, submitting the same to the force of all the duke's (*heeren*) laws and judges.

Thus done in Albany the 24th of August 1676, in presence of Ludovicus Cobes and Corn: Corn: Vielen as witnesses hereto called.

This is the mark of D the widow of Thom. Powells.

Poulus, ... (?)

Testes.

Ludovicus Cobes, not. pub.

Cor. Cor. Viele.

Acknowledged before me,

Ro. Livingston, Secr.

Appeared before me Ro. Livingston, secr., etc., and in the presence of the Honorable Mr. Richard Pretty and Mr. Andries Teller, commissaries, etc., Stoffel Janse Abeel, who declared that he had in true rights, free ownership, granted and conveyed, as by these presents he does grant and convey, in real and actual possession, to and for the behoof of Johannes Wendell, in his house and lot standing and lying in Albany on the hill with all that is thereon fast by earth and nailed, bounded on the east by Jacob Sanderse [Glen], on the south by the Lutheran graveyard,[1] the west by the aforenamed Johannes Wendell, and on the north by the [State] street; breadth in front on the street fifteen feet Rhynland measure, front and rear of the same breadth, just as it stands drip free, which he, the grantor does, by virtue of a patent granted him by the governor general, Richard Nicolls, of date the 12th of August, 1668, to which reference is made, with no claim standing or issuing against the same, save the lord's right, without the grantors having the least claim any more upon it, acknowledging that he is fully paid and satisfied therefor, giving therefore full power to the aforesaid Johannes Wendell, his heirs and successors, or those who may hereafter acquire right and title from him to do with and dispose of said house and lot, as he might do with his other patrimonial estate and effects; promising the same to defend against all persons, and to free it from all trouble, claims and charges which hereafter may arise, and never more to do or permit anything to be done against the same, with or without law, in any manner whatsoever, under obligation as provided therefor according to law.

Done in Albany, the 25th of August, 1676.

Stoffel Janse Abeel.

Richard Pretty.

A. Teller.

Acknowledged before me,

Ro. Livingston, Secr.

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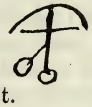
[1] The Lutheran church lot and graveyard included the present Centre Market lot and lay in the rear of the State street lots, extending from South Pearl street nearly or quite to the present Lodge street.

Appeared before me Ro. Livingston, secr., etc., and in presence of the honorable magistrates, Mr. Richard Pretty, and Mr. Andries Teller, etc., Willem [Frederickse] Bout, who declared that he had in true rights, free ownership, granted and conveyed, as by these presents he does grant and convey, in real and actual possession, to and for the behoof of William Nottingham, in his house and lot standing and lying in Albany, on the hill, with all that is thereon fast by earth or nailed; bounded east by the street, west by the aforenamed Willem Bout, south also by the street, and north by Claes Van Rotterdam, being in breadth in front and rear, thirty-two feet nine inches, Rynland measure; length on the south and north sides, thirty-six feet; which he, the grantor, does by virtue of patent to him granted by the governor general, Nicolls, of date the 6th of September, 1667, whereto reference is made, with no claims standing or issuing against the same, excepting the lord's right, without the grantor's having the least claim any more against the same, acknowledging that he is fully paid and satisfied therefor, and giving full power to the aforesaid Wm Nottingham, his heirs and successors, or those who may hereafter acquire right and title from him, to do with and dispose of the aforesaid house and lot, as he might do with his other patrimonial estate and effects; promising the same to defend against all persons, and to free it from all trouble, claims and charges, which may hereafter arise, and never more to do or suffer anything to be done, either with or without law, in any manner whatsoever, under obligation as provided therefor according to law.

Done in Albany, the 25th of August, 1675.

This is the mark  of Willem Bout,

with his own hand set.

Richard Pretty.
A. Teller.

Acknowledged before me,

Ro. Livingston, Secr.

Appeared before me Ro. Livingston, secretary, etc., and in presence of the honorable magistrates, Mr. Richard Pretty, and Mr. Andries Teller, etc., Claes Jacobse, *alias* Rotterdam,[1] who declared that he had sold, granted and conveyed, as he by these presents does grant and convey, in real and actual possession, to and for the behoof of George Heathcote,[2] a lot, lying in Albany, on the hill, bounded north by Harmen Bastiaensen [Visscher], south by Claas Jacobse [the grantor], west by Harmen Bastiaensen, and east by the street [North Pearl],[3] and is in length, seventy-six wood feet; and in breadth, front and rear, twenty-two

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[1] Or, simply, Claes Van Rotterdam.

[2] George Heathcote was master of the Good Hope, in 1675. He was complained of the following year of having uttered seditious words against the government and fined £20 and costs. Coming to Albany for the purpose of trade, he became involved in litigation, and his goods were taken from him. In 1682, he was again arraigned before the court in New York. In 1684, he sold his house and lot in Albany, to Robert Sanders.— *English Manuscripts.*

He was the first of the name that came to New York; was interested in trade in Jamaica, and arrived in New York about 1675; carried on trade on a large scale; removed to Bucks county, Pa., where he died 1710, leaving the bulk of his property to his kinsman, Caleb Heathcote.— *Valentine's Manual*, 1853, p. 403

[3] Harmen Bastiaense Visscher's lot was on the west side of North Pearl, next the

wood feet, also an alley of five feet breadth, besides the twenty-two feet which shall be used in common; being a part of the lot No. 6, which the grantor [conveys] by virtue of a patent granted him by the governor general, Richard Nicolls, of date the 6 September, 1667, to which reference is made; and that free and unencumbered, with no claim, standing or issuing against the same, excepting the lord's right, without the grantor's having the least claim any more upon it, acknowledging that he is fully paid and satisfied therefor, the first penny with the last, giving therefore *plenam actionem cessam*, and full power to the aforesaid George Heathcote, his heirs and successors, or those, who may hereafter acquire right and title from him, to do with and dispose of the aforesaid lot, as he might do with his other patrimonial estate and effects; promising the same to defend against all persons, and to free it from all trouble, claims or charges, which may hereafter arise, and never more to do or suffer anything to be done against the same, either with or without law, in any manner whatsoever, under obligation as provided therefor by law.

Done in Albany the 26th of August, 1676.

CLAES JACOBSE.

Richard Pretty.
A. Teller.

Acknowledged before me,

RO. LIVINGSTON, Secr.

Appeared before me Ro. Livingston secr., etc., and in the presence of the honorable magistrates, Mr. Richard Pretty, and Andries Teller, etc., Harme Bastiaensen [Visscher] who declared that he had sold, granted and conveyed, as by these presents he does grant and convey, in real and actual possession to and for the behoof of George Heathcote his house and lot lying in Albany on the hill, bounded on the north by Teunis Slingerland, on the west by the street [Chapel], on the east by Harmen Bastiaense and Claes [Jacobse Van] Rotterdam, and to the south by Samuel Hollman; breadth in front on the street [Chapel] twenty-three feet three inches, Rynland measure, and in the rear of the like breadth, in length fifty-two feet and eight inches, also Rynland measure,[1] and that free and unencumbered, with no claim standing or issuing against the same, excepting the lord's right, the grantor herewith making over all the right and title which he has therein, without making the least claim on the same any more, acknowledging that he is fully paid and satisfied therefor, the first penny with the last, giving therefore *plenam actionem cessam*, and full power to the aforesaid George Heathcote, his heirs and successors, or those who may hereafter acquire right and title from him to do with or to dispose of the aforesaid house and lot as he might do with his other patrimonial estate and effects; promising the same to defend against all persons, and to free it from all trouble, claims or charges, which hereafter may arise, and never more to do or suffer anything to be done against

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stockadoes, which at this time passed up the hill, on the north side of Steuben street. The lot here sold to Heathcote was therefore the second lot south of Steuben street. He held it for the purposes of occasional trade probably, till 1681, when he sold it to Robert Sanders. He seems to have been a merchant and consignee for English houses, in New York.

[1] This lot purchased of Harmen Bastianse Visscher, added to the lot purchased of Claas Jacobse Van Rotterdam as shown by the last conveyance (Records p. 319), gave Heathcote a lot of 22 feet breadth, extending through the block from Pearl to Chapel street.

the same, either with or without law, in any manner whatsoever, under obligation as provided therefor by law.

Done in Albany, the 26th of August, 1676.

HARMEN BASTIAENS.

Richard Pretty.
A. Teller.

Acknowledged before me,

RO. LIVINGSTON, Secr.

Appeared before me Ro. Livingston, secr., etc., and in presence of the honorable magistrates, Mr. Richard Pretty, and Mr. Andries Teller, etc., Claas Jacobse, *alias* Rotterdam, who declared that he had granted and conveyed, as by these presents he does grant and convey, in real and actual possession, to and for the behoof of William Nottingham, his lot, lying in Albany, on the hill, bounded westerly by Jan Vinhagen, easterly by Claas Jacobse aforesaid, southerly by Jan Vinhagen, and Willem Bout, and northerly by Claas Jacobse aforesaid; in breadth on the east, fifteen feet, Rynland measure, westerly of the same breadth, length east and west three rods and a half, which the grantor conveys by virtue of a patent, granted him by Governor General Richard Nicolls, being lot Number 6, of date the 6th of September, 1667, to which reference is made, and that free and unencumbered, with no claim standing or issuing against the same, excepting the lord's right, without the grantor's making the least claim any more against the same, acknowledging that he is fully paid and satisfied therefor, the first penny with the last, giving therefore *plenam actionem cessam*, and full power to the aforementioned William Nottingham, his heirs and successors, or those who hereafter may acquire right and title from him, to do with and dispose of said lot as he might do with his other patrimonial estate and effects; promising to defend the same from all persons, and to free it from all trouble, claims or charges, which may hereafter arise, and never more to do or suffer anything to be done against the same, either with or without law, in any manner whatsoever, under obligation as provided therefor according to law.

Done in Albany, the 26th of August, 1676.

CLAES JACOBSE.

Richard Pretty.
A. Teller.

Acknowledged before me,

RO. LIVINGSTON, Secr.

Appeared before me Ro. Livingston, secr., etc., and in presence of the honorable magistrates, Mr. Richard Pretty, and Mr. Andries Teller, etc., the honorable William Nottingham, who declared that he had in true rights, free ownership, granted and conveyed, as by these presents he does grant and convey, in real and actual possession, to and for the behoof of Robert Story, in his two houses and two lots, with all that is therein fast by earth and nailed, standing and lying in Albany, on the hill, bounded as follows: *First.*— His two houses and lots, bounded southerly and easterly by the street, westerly by Willem Bout, and northerly by Claas [Jacobse] Van Rotterdam; in breadth, front and rear, thirty-two feet nine inches, Rynland measure; and in length on south and north [sides],

thirty-six feet; being part of the lot No. 5; which he, the grantor, does by virtue of a conveyance, given to him by Willem [Frederickse] Bout, of date the 26th of August, 1676, to which reference is hereby made.[1] Likewise a lot, lying also on the hill, bounded westerly by Jan Vinhagen, easterly and northerly by Claas Jacobse, *alias* Rotterdam, and southerly by Jan Vinhagen, and Willem Bout; in breadth, east and west, fifteen feet, Rynland measure; and in length, three rods and a half,[2] which he, this grantor, does by virtue of a conveyance, received by him from Claas Rotterdam, of date the 26th of August, 1676, whereto reference is herein made; with no claims standing or issuing against the same, excepting the lord's right, and without the grantor's having the least claim any more against them, acknowledging that he is fully paid and satisfied therefor, and giving therefore full power to the aforementioned Robert Story, his heirs and successors, or those who hereafter may acquire right and title from him, to do with and to dispose of the aforesaid two houses and two lots, as he might do with his other patrimonial estate and effects; promising the same to defend against all persons, and to free the same from all trouble, claims or charges, which may hereafter arise, and never more to do or permit anything to be done, either with or without law, in any manner whatsoever, under obligation as provided therefor by law.

Done in Albany, the 28th of August, 1676.

WILLIAM NOTTINGHAM.

Richard Pretty.
A. Teller.

Acknowledged before me,

RO. LIVINGSTON, Secr.

Appeared before me Ro. Livingston, secr., and in presence of the honorable magistrates, Mr. Andries Teller, and Mr. Dirk Wesselse [Ten Brock], etc., the honorable Ro. Story, who acknowledges that he is well and truly indebted and in arrears to the heirs of Captain Thomas Willet, deceased, in the sum of three hundred and fifty seven guilders [$142.80], to be paid in good whole merchantable beavers, at eight guilders a piece, or in good winter wheat, at beavers price, and he promises to pay the aforesaid sum to the said heirs, the administrators of the same or to their attorney on the first demand which they shall make upon him; this mortgagor pledging therefor his person and estate, real and personal, present and future, submitting the same to the force of all the duke's (*heeren*) laws and judges, to the promoting of the payment thereof if need be, without cost or loss.

Done in Albany, the 26th of August, 1676.

ROBERT STORY.

A. Teller.
Dirck Wesselse.

Acknowledged before me,

RO. LIVINGSTON, Secr.

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[1] These two lots were on the north corner of North Pearl street and Maiden lane.

[2] This third lot 15 by 42 feet, lay on the northwest corner of the other two lots, and in the interior of the block. Ingress was probably had to it by means of a narrow alley not mentioned in the description.

Appeared before me Ro. Livingston, secr., etc., and in presence of the afternamed witnesses, Mr. Richard Pretty, attorney of the heirs of Captain Thomas Willet, deceased, who declared that he is fully paid and satisfied by William Nottingham, for a certain mortgage, which the aforesaid heirs hold against William Nottingham's two houses, in the sum of 357 guilders, beavers, of date the 16th of October, 1674, herewith annulling the force and effect of said mortgage, and witnessing the same with hand and seal, in the presence of Abraham De Peyster, and Charles Eccles, as witnesses hereto invited.

In Albany, this 26th of August, 1676.

RICHARD PRETTY.

Charles Eccles.
Alm De Peyster.[1]

Acknowledged before me,

RO. LIVINGSTON, Secr.

Appeared before me Ro. Livingston, secr., and in the presence of the honorable magistrates, Mr. Richard Pretty, and Dirck Wesselse [Ten Broeck], etc., William Nottingham, who acknowledged that he is well and truly indebted and in arrears to Mr. Andries Teller, in the quantity of eight good and merchantable beavers, which aforesaid eight beavers William Nottingham promises to pay to Mr. Teller, or order, on demand, pledging therefor his person and estate, real and personal, present and future, nothing excepted, and submitting the same to the force of all the duke's (*heeren*) laws and judges, to promote the payment thereof if need be, without cost or loss.

Done in Albany, the 28th of August, 1676.

WILLIAM NOTTINGHAM.

Richard Pretty.

Acknowledged before me,

RO. LIVINGSTON, Secr.

Appeared before me Ro. Livingston, secr., etc., and in the presence of the afternamed witness, Mr. Andries Teller, who declared himself to be paid and satisfied by Mr. William Nottingham, for a mortgage, which he held against William Nottingham's two houses, of date the 15th of October, 1674, discharging herewith the aforesaid mortgage, annulling the force and effect of the same, and witnessing the same with his own hand and seal, in presence of Michael Siston, and Jonathan Walker, as witnesses thereto invited.

In Albany, this 26th of August, 1676.

A. TELLER.

Testes:
Mich. Siston.
Jonathan Walker.

Acknowledged before me,

RO. LIVINGSTON, Secr.

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[1] Abraham De Peyster was a merchant of New York. For an account of this family, see Valentine's *Manual*, 1852, 1862.

Appeared before me Ro. Livingston, secr., etc., and in presence of the honorable magistrates, Mr. Richard Pretty, and Mr. Andries Teller, etc., the honorable Mr. Robert Story, who acknowledged that he is well and truly indebted, and in arrears to Annetie Lievens, widow of Goose Gerritse Van Schaick, deceased, in the sum of two hundred and ninety-six guilders, in beavers, which aforesaid sum he promises to pay in good merchantable beaver skins, at eight guilders a piece, or in goods, at market price, for the performance of which the said Robert Story pledges his person and estate, real and personal, present and future, nothing excepted, and submitting the same to the force of all the duke's laws and judges, for the promotion of the payment of the same, if need be, without cost and loss.

Done in Albany, the 26th of August, 1676.

ROBERT STORY.

Richard Pretty.
A. Teller.

Acknowledged before me,

RO. LIVINGSTON, Secr.

Appeared before me Ro. Livingston, secr., etc., and in the presence of the afternamed witnesses, Annetie Levens, widow of Goose Gerritse [Van Schaick], deceased, who declared that she is fully paid and satisfied by William Nottingham, in respect to the mortgage, which she held against the aforesaid Nottingham's house, of date the first of October, 1674, witnessing the same with her own hand and seal on this 26th of August, 1676.

By order of my mother.

SYBRANT GOOSENS[1] [VAN SCHAICK].

Testes :
M. Cregier, Junior.[2]
Robertt Story.

Acknowledged before me,

RO. LIVINGSTON.

Appeared before me Ro. Livingston, secr., etc., and in presence [of] the honorable magistrates, Mr. Richard Pretty, and Andries Teller, etc., the honorable Robert Story, who acknowledged that he is well and truly indebted, and in arrears to Mr. William Nottingham, in the sum of fifty-one good merchantable beavers, and four guilders and eleven stuivers, in beavers, to be paid in good merchantable duffels,[3] at four ells the beaver, or in other marchandise at market prices, and promises to pay the aforesaid sum to the said Wm Nottingham, his heirs or successors, on the first

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[1] Sybrant Goosense Van Schaick was son of Goosen Gerritse Van Schaick. By his wife, Elizabeth Vander Poel, he had three sons and one daughter, who were living in 1686, when his widow contracted a second marriage with Bemony Van Curler.

[2] Marten Cregier, Jr., was son of Captain Martynus Cregier, the skilful military leader of the New York militia. He married in 1671, Jannetie Hendrikse Van Doesburgh, and had seven children, of whom two were sons, Marten, and Samuel. The Cregiers settled early in Niskayuna, where Captain Cregier owned a tract of land, a portion of which is still held by his descendants.

[3] A kind of coarse woolen cloth, having a thick nap or frieze; baize?

demand, which he shall make upon him, this mortgagor, pledging therefor his person and estate, real and personal, present and future, and submitting the same to the force of all the duke's (*heeren*) laws, to promote the payment thereof, if need be, without loss and cost.

Done in Albany, the 28th of August, 1676.

ROBERTT STORY.

Richard Pretty.
A. Teller.

Acknowledged before me,

RO. LIVINGSTON, Secr.

Appeared before me Ro. Livingston, secr., etc., and in the presence of the honorable magistrates, Mr. Richard Pretty, and Mr. Andries Teller, etc., the honorable Ro. Story, who acknowledged that he is well and truly indebted, and in arrears, to Mr. Samuel Holman, in the sum of thirty pounds sterling, to be paid in installments to wit, ten pounds to be paid in Boston money, or good merchantable beavers, at twelve shillings a piece, or nine shillings a pound, and that in New York, on the first demand which he shall make upon him, the mortgagor, and the other twenty pounds to be paid before the first of May, next coming, in the before mentioned currency, that is Boston money, or merchantable beavers, at 12 shillings a piece, or 9 shillings a pound, English weight, pledging therefor his person and estate, real and personal, present and future, and submitting the same to the force of all the duke's (*heeren*) laws and judges for the promotion of the payment thereof, without cost and loss.

Done in Albany, the 29th of August, 1676.

ROBERT STORY.

Richard Pretty.
A. Teller.

Acknowledged before me,

RO. LIVINGSTON, Secr.

Appeared before me Ro. Livingston, secr., etc., and in presence of the honorable magistrates, Mr. Richard Pretty, and Mr. Andries Teller, etc., Mr. Samuel Holman, who declared that he had in true rights, free ownership, granted and conveyed, as by these presents he does grant and convey, in real and actual possession, to and for the behoof of Mr. Robert Story, his house and lot,[1] standing and lying in Albany, on the hill, with all that therein is fast by earth and nailed, bounded easterly by Claas [Jacobse] Van Rotterdam, on the south side by Gerrit Lansing, on the north and west sides the public street; in breadth, in front upon the street [Chapel], five and twenty feet; and in the rear, on Gerrit Lansing's house, stretching from the upper corner to the bottom, in a straight line along said Lansing's house, drip free, and is in breadth in the rear fourteen feet, less two inches; and in length, on the south side, four rods

[1] This lot lay on the east side of Bergh street, afterwards called Barrack and now Chapel street, commencing between 60 and 70 feet, northerly from Maiden lane. There is now no street on the north side of this lot, and it was then probably only the 5 foot alley between Van Rotterdam's and Heathcote's lots, carried through from North Pearl to Chapel streets, but now abandoned as an alley.

and six feet and three inches; all as it lies inclosed at present within its fence, which he, the grantor, does by virtue of a conveyance, given to him by Nehemiah Pearse, of date the 5th of July, 1676, to which reference is made, and that free and unencumbered, with no claim standing or issuing against the same, excepting the lord's right, without the grantor's making the least claim any more upon it, acknowledging that he is fully paid and satisfied therefor, the first penny with the last, giving therefore full power to the aforesaid Ro. Story, his heirs and successors, or those who may hereafter acquire right and title from him, to do with and dispose of said house and lot, as he might do with his other patrimonial estate and effects; promising the same to defend from all persons, and to free the same from all trouble, claims or charges, which may hereafter arise, and never more to do or permit anything to be done against the same, either with or without law, in any manner whatsoever, under obligation as provided therefor according to law.

Done in Albany, on the 29th of August, 1676.

SAMUELL HOLMAN.

Richard Pretty.
A. Teller.

Acknowledged before me,

RO. LIVINGSTON, Secr.

Appeared before me Ro. Livingston, secr., etc., and in the presence of the honorable magistrates of the same jurisdiction, Mr. Richard Pretty and Mr. Andries Teller, Geertruyt Barents, wife of Jacob Heven [or Heviek], who declared that she had in true rights, free ownership, granted and conveyed, as she by these presents does grant and convey, in real and actual possession, to and for the behoof of Jacobus Gerritse Brower, in her house and lot, standing and lying in Albany, with all that is thereon, fast by earth and nailed, bounded southerly by Harmen Schoenmaker, northerly by Arnout Cornelise Viele, easterly by the public highway, being in length ten rods, in breadth two rods, all as it at present lies in fence; which this grantor does, by virtue of a patent granted her by the right honorable the governor general, Richard Nicolls, of date the 30th of April, 1667, to which reference is made, and that free and unencumbered, with no claim standing or issuing against the same, excepting the lord's right, without the grantor's making the least claim upon the same any more, acknowledging that she is fully paid and satisfied therefor, the first penny with the last, and giving therefore full power to the aforesaid Jacobus Gerritse, his heirs and successors, or those who may hereafter acquire right and title from him, to do with and dispose of said house and lot as he might do with his other patrimonial estate and effects; promising the same to defend against all persons, and to free it from all trouble, claims or charges which may hereafter arise, and never more to do nor suffer anything to be done, either with or without law, in any manner whatsoever, under obligation as provided therefor according to law.

Done in Albany, on the 17th of September, 1676.

This is the mark △ of GEERTRUYT BARENDTS, with her own hand set.
Richard Pretty.
A. Teller.

Acknowledged before me,

RO. LIVINGSTON, Secr.

Appeared before me Ro. Livingston, secr., etc., and in the presence of the honorable magistrates, Mr. Richard Pretty and Mr. Andries Teller, etc., Capt. Jan Clute, who declared that he had in true rights, free ownership, granted, conveyed and transferred, by these presents, in real and actual possession, to and for the behoof of Ludovicus Cobes, in his house and lot, standing and lying in Albany, next the corner house of Jan Tomase [Mingael], in the Yonker [now State] street, in length, breadth, and boundaries, in accordance with the patent granted by the right honorable governor general, Richard Nicolls, of date the first of April, 1667, to which reference is herein made, and that free, etc.

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[This paper was not executed].

Appeared before me Ro. Livingston, secr., etc., and in the presence of the honorable magistrates, Mr. Richard Pretty and Mr. Andries Teller, etc., Mr. Gerrit Swart, citizen here, who acknowledged that he is well and truly indebted to Mr. Frederick Fillipse, merchant, dwelling in New York, in a certain sum of money arising and growing out of a claim of the estate of one Harmen Janse Bos, by him [Fillipse], as trustee, administered upon and disposed of according to his pleasure; for the payment of the aforesaid sum the mortgagor pledges especially, a certain parcel of land in the colony of Rensselaerswyck, bounded easterly by the river, southerly by Barent Pieterse [Coeymans],[1] westerly the common mill road, northerly by Jacob Heven; breadth eighty feet, and length from the mill road to the river; and generally his person and estate, in possession and to be acquired, nothing excepted, submitting the same to the force of all the duke's [*heeren*] laws and judges, to promote the payment thereof, if need be, without cost and loss.

Done in Albany, the 20th of Sept., 1676.

G. Swart.

Acknowledged before me,

Ro. Livingston, Secr.

Appeared before me Ro. Livingston, secr., etc., and in the presence of the honorable magistrates, Mr. Richard Pretty and Mr. Andries Teller, etc., the honorable Mr. Gerrit Van Slichtenhorst, who declared that he had in true rights, free ownership, granted, conveyed and transferred, by these presents, to and for the behoof of Claes Ripse Van Dam,[2] in a certain lot lying in Albany, on the hill; bounded westerly by the public highway, commonly called Bergh street,[3] northerly by Ro. Sanders, south and east by the aforenamed Mr. Slichtenhorst; in breadth in front on the street twenty-seven wood feet, and in the rear of the same width, and in length on the north side fifty-seven feet and two inches, and on the south side fifty-six feet and three inches, which the grantor does by virtue of a patent granted him by the right honorable the governor general, Richard Nicolls, of the whole lot of which this is a part, dated the 27th of April, 1667, to which reference is made, and that free and unencum-

[1] Barent Pieterse Coeymans, the miller, came out in 1636, with his four brothers, from Utrecht. (?) After leasing the patroon's mill for many years, he bought a tract of land south of Rensselaerswyck, now called Coeymans, on which he settled.—*O'Callaghan's History of New Netherland*, I, 435.

[2] Eldest son of Rip Van Dam, merchant of New York.

[3] Berg, usually pronounced Barrack, now Chapel street.

bered, with no claim standing or issuing against the same, excepting the lord's right, and without the grantor's making the least claim any more upon said lot, acknowledging that he is fully paid and satisfied therefor, by the hands of the said Claes Ripse Van Dam, the first penny with the last, giving therefore *plenam actionem cessam*, and full power to do with and dispose of the aforesaid lot as he might do with his other patrimonial estate and effects; promising never more to do nor suffer anything to be done against the same, either with or without law, in any manner whatsoever, under obligation as provided therefor according to law.

Done in Albany, the 22d Sept., 1676.

GERRIT VAN SLICHTENHORST.

Richard Pretty.
A. Teller.

Acknowledged before me,

RO. LIVINGSTON, Secr.

Appeared before me Ro. Livingston, secr., etc., in the presence of the honorable magistrates, Mr. Richard Pretty and Mr. Andries Teller, etc., Lieut. Jan Janse Bleecker and Jacob Sanderse Glen, attorneys for Mr. Jan Hendrickse Van Baell, who declared that they had in true rights, free ownership, granted, conveyed and transferred, by these presents, to and for the behoof of Gerrit Hardenberg,[1] in a certain house and lot standing and lying in Albany, on the hill, with all that is therein fast by earth and nailed; bounded westerly by Jacob Schermerhorn, south by the street, east by Mr. Abraham Van Tricht,[2] and northerly by Capt. John Backers; in breadth in front on the street two rods two feet and seven inches, and in rear two rods two and a half inches, in length on west side four rods and nine feet, and on the east side five rods four feet and nine inches; which the grantor conveys by virtue of a patent to Van Bael, granted by the right honorable governor general, Francis Lovelace, of date the 13th of August, 1669, to which reference is here made, and that free and unencumbered, with no claim standing or issuing against it, excepting the lord's right, without the grantor's making the least claim any more upon the same, and acknowledging that he is fully paid and satisfied therefor by the hands of the aforesaid Hardenbergh, the first penny with the last, and giving him therefore *plenam actionem cessam*, and full power to do with and dispose of the aforesaid house and lot as he might do with his other patrimonial estate and effects; promising never more to do nor permit anything to be done against the same, with or without law, in any manner whatsoever, under obligation as provided therefor by law.

Done in Albany, the 22d of September, 1676.

JAN JANSE BLEECKER.
JACOB SANDERSE GLEN.

Richard Pretty.
A. Teller.

In my presence,

RO. LIVINGSTON, Secr.

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[1] Gerrit Hardenbergh was in Albany as early as 1667, and in 1690 he owned the sloop Royal, Albany. He and his wife, Jaepe Schepmoes, made a joint will in 1678. A daughter, Barendine, was baptized in 1683.

[2] Abraham Van Tricht, married Lysbeth Teller, daughter of William Teller; before 1692 she was a widow, and married Melgerts Wynantse Van Der Poel. Van Tricht had two daughters, and perhaps other children.

Appeared before me Ro. Livingston, secr., etc., and in the presence of the honorable magistrates, Mr. Richard Pretty and Mr. Andries Teller, etc., Lieut. Jan Janse Bleecker, attorney for Johannes Witthardt,[1] who declared that he had granted, conveyed and transferred, by virtue of a power of attorney from Symon Symonse Groot, of date the 30th of Sept., 1662, (?) a certain house and lot, standing and lying without the town of Albany, to and for the behoof of Wouter Pieterse Quackeboss;[2] bounded south by Jan Bricker, north by Barent Albertse Bradt,[3] east and west by the common highway; length seven and a half rods, and breadth four rods;[4] which the grantor conveys by virtue of a patent received by him from Symon Symonse Groot, granted to said Groot by the right honorable governor general, Richard Nicolls, of the date 2d of May, 1667, to which reference is here made, and that free and unencumbered, with no claim standing or issuing against it, excepting the lord's right, and without the grantor's making the least claim any more upon the same, and acknowledging that he has been fully paid and satisfied therefor, the first penny with the last, giving, therefore *plenam actionem cessam*, and full power to him to do with and to dispose of the aforesaid house and lot as he might do with his other patrimonial estate and effects; promising never more to do nor to permit anything to be done against the same, either with or without law, in any manner whatsoever, under obligation as provided therefor according to law.

Done in Albany, the 22d of September, 1676.

JAN JANSE BLEECKER.

Richard Pretty.
A. Teller.

Acknowledged before me,

RO. LIVINGSTON, Secr.

On this 9th day of October, 1676, appeared before me Rob. Livingston secr., etc., and in presence of the afternamed witnesses, Capt. John Backer and Mr. William Parker, who declared that in amity and friendship they had covenanted and agreed with each other in manner following: in regard to a certain process which the aforesaid Wm. Parker has instituted against the aforesaid Backer before the court here, in relation to a claim for fourteen pounds sterling, for which Mr. Parker stood surety for Capt. Backer to Mr. Ponchones, for the purchase of two oxen, etc.; the parties are agreed as follows, to wit, that Capt. Backer must pay for said claim twelve pounds sterling, to said Parker, with all the expenses incurred thereon, and give him in payment two obligations, to wit, one against Jan Janse Flodder,[5] of date the 5th of this month [October], for

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[1] Johannes Withart was a trader in New Amsterdam as early as 1651; four years after he was engaged in trade in Beverwyck, and remained there several years.

[2] Wouter P. Quackenboss married first Neeltje Gybertse, and second, Cornelia Bogart, in 1696. He had eight children, of whom two were sons, Pieter and Johannes. His second wife was buried 21 Nov., 1736.

[3] In 1700, Barent Albertse Bradt lived without the north gate, near the junction of Steuben street and Broadway, just west of the *Main Guard*. He had frequent warnings from the common-council not to fence in certain grounds there belonging to the city.

[4] This lot was probably without the north gate, just north of Steuben street, extending from Broadway to James street.

[5] Jan Janse Flodder, carpenter, came to Beverwyck in 1642. The name is sometimes changed to Gardenier.

the sum of 500 boards (*plancken*), the half falling due the coming summer, and the other 250 the summer following; and an obligation of Evert Wendell, for the sum of eighty-eight guilders in beavers, falling due next summer, in the business season (*handel tydt*), together with five beavers to be received from Jan Nack,[1] on the first of May next coming, for the rent of a house; with which securities Wm. Parker is very well content; and which aforesaid obligations, I, the aforesaid Jan Backer, deliver to Wm. Parker, with all the right and title which I therein have, and full power the same to collect (*innen*), and recover the payment of the aforesaid 12 pounds, with the expense; and whatever proceeds of both obligations the aforesaid Parker shall receive, together with the five beavers, he shall be holden to account [?] to said Backer for what it shall amount to over and above the twelve pounds and costs. But in case he does not withal receive the proceeds of the obligation, then Capt. Backer binds him, Parker, to pay the aforesaid sum, with costs, out of the first moneys he shall receive for the sale of his house standing here in Albany. For the performance of which above written conditions, the contracting parties mutually bind their respective persons and estates, personal and real, present and future, nothing excepted, placing the same in subjection to all the duke's [*heeren*] laws and judges.

Done in Albany, of date *ut supra*, in presence of Wm Loveridge, Jr., and Anthony Van Schaick, as witnesses.

JOHN BAKER.
WM PARKER.

William Loveridge.
Antony Goosen [*Van Schaick*][2]

Acknowledged before me,

RO. LIVINGSTON, Secr.

Appeared before me Ro. Livingston, secr., etc., and in presence of the afternamed witnesses, William Parker, who acknowledged that he had received from Capt. John Backer, two obligations, and an assignment, for the payment and security of the sum of twelve pounds, which he, Backer, must pay to said Parker, with costs, and Parker promises to pay the surplus of the obligations, so soon as he shall receive the proceeds of said obligations; the one being against Jacob Janse Flodder, of the 3d of October, 1676, for the sum of five hundred boards, falling due one-half next summer, and the other half the summer after; the other obligation being against Evert Wendell, of date the second of October, 1676, for the sum of eighty-eight guilders in beavers, together with an assignment of five beavers, which he, Backer, holds against Jan Nak, all which above mentioned obligations and assignment, he acknowledges that he has received from the hands of the aforementioned Backer, and will account to said Backer for the surplus over and above twelve pounds and costs, if he shall receive it.

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[1] Jan Nack came from Utrecht, was trader and gun-stocker, and married Catharina Roomers in New Amsterdam, 28 Oct., 1663 (Valentine's *Manual*, 1861), and had one son, Matthys, who also settled in Albany. He died 12 Dec., 1708.

[2] Antony Goosen Van Schaick was son of Goosen Gerritse Van Schaick. He married Maria Van der Poel, daughter of Anthony Cornelise Van der Poel, and had eight children, of whom five were sons. He was buried Feb. 4, 1737.

Done in Albany, in presence of Laurence Van Ale, and Wynant Vander Poele, as witnesses hereto invited, on this the 9th day of October, 1676.

WILLIAM PARKER.

Lourens Van Alen.
Wynant Gerreyts Van der Poell.

Acknowledged before me,

RO. LIVINGSTON, Secr.

Appeared before me Ro. Livingston, secr., etc., and in presence of the honorable magistrates, Mr. Richard Pretty, and Andries Teller, etc., Mr. Jan Hendrickse Bruyn, who declared that he had in true rights, free ownership, granted and conveyed, as he does grant and convey by these presents, in real and actual possession, to and for the behoof of Mr. Cornelis Van Dyck, to his house and lot, standing and lying in Albany, on Yonker [State] street, with all that is therein fast by earth and nailed, bounded westerly by Harme Rutgers, easterly by the new house of Mr. Jan Hendrickse Bruyn, aforenamed, south by the [Rutten] kil, and north by the public street [State], of such dimensions, as the aforesaid lot at present lies in its fence, and that in length and breadth with all the rights, property and ownership, which devolved upon this grantor, although he, Van Dyck, since the purchase from the aforesaid Bruyn, has some claim upon the carpenter work, which he, the grantor, to said Van Dyck also conveys, all as it now stands and lies inclosed in its fence, which the grantor does by virtue of the patent granted him by the right honorable governor general, Richard Nicolls, of date 14 June, 1667, to which reference is here made, and that free and unencumbered with no claim standing or issuing against it, excepting the lord's right, and without the grantor's making the least claim any more against the same, acknowledging that he is fully paid and satisfied therefor, the first penny with the last, and giving therefore *plenam actionem cessam*, full power to the aforesaid Mr. Cornelis Van Dyck, his heirs and successors, or those who may hereafter acquire right and title from him, to do with and dispose of the aforesaid house and lot, as he might do with his other patrimonial estate and effects; promising to defend the same against all persons, and to free it from all trouble, claims or charges, which may hereafter arise, and never more to do or suffer anything to be done against the same, either with or without law, in any manner whatsoever, under obligation as provided therefor according to law.

Done in Albany, on this the 2nd of November, 1676, *in America.*

JAN HEINDERCK BRUYNS.

Richard Pretty.
A. Teller.

Acknowledged before me,

RO. LIVINGSTON, Secr.

Appeared before me Ro. Livingston, secr., etc., and in the presence of the afternamed witnesses, Annetie Lievens, widow of Goose Gerritse Van Schayk, deceased, who acknowledged that she is fully paid and satisfied by Robert Story, merchant, and that in respect to an obligation

to said Annetie Lievens, given for the sum of two hundred and ninety-six guilders, in beavers, of date the 26th of August, 1676, and thanking said Ro. Story for good payment; she promises him to free from all claims from the beginning of the world to this date, pledging therefor her person and estate, real and personal, present and future, nothing excepted.

Thus done in Albany, in the presence of ———.

ANNETGE LIEVENS.

Appeared before me Rob[t] Livingston, secr., etc., and in the presence of the honorable magistrates, Mr. Richard Pretty, and Andries Teller, etc., Marten Hoffman, who declared, that he had in true rights, free ownership, granted, conveyed and transferred by these presents, to and for the behoof of Cornelis Cornelise Van der Hoeve,[1] in his house and lot standing and lying here in Albany, hard by William Loveridge, hatter, with all that is thereon fast by earth and nailed; in breadth, in front on the street, twenty-four feet; length, backwards, fifty-five feet; and breadth, in the rear, eight feet; all as it lies inclosed in its fence, which he, the grantor, does by virtue of a conveyance from Jan Conell, given him, of date the 3d of June, 1672, having been sold to said Conell, at public sale by Jacob Joostens [Van Covelens];[2] and that free and unencumbered, with no claim standing or issuing against it, excepting the lord's right, and without the grantor's making the least claim upon it any more; acknowledging that he is fully paid and satisfied therefor, the first penny with the last, giving therefore *plenam actionem cessam*, and full power to the aforenamed Cornelis Cornelise Van der Hoeve, his heirs and successors, or those who may hereafter acquire right and title from him, to do with and dispose of the aforesaid house and lot, as he might do with his own patrimonial estate and effects; promising to defend the same from all persons, and to free it from all trouble, claims and charges, which are lawful, and further, never more to do or suffer anything to be done against the same, either with or without law, in any manner whatsoever, under obligation as provided therefor according to law.

Done in Albany, the 30th of December, 1676.

MARTEN HOFFMAN.

Richard Pretty.
A. Teller.

In my presence,

RO. LIVINGSTON, Secry.

Appeared before me Ro. Livingston, secr., etc., and in the presence of the honorable magistrates, Mr. Richard Pretty and Mr. Dirk Wessells [Ten Broeck], etc., Jacob Jansen Gardenier,[3] alias Flodder, who ac-

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[1] Cornelis Cornelise Van der Hoeve married Metie, daughter of Marten Beeckman. He had three children, baptized in Albany: Marten, Susanna, and Johannes.

[2] See page 100.

[3] Jacob Janse Gardenier came to Beverwyck in 1638, as servant to Claes Janse Ruyter.—*O'Callaghan's History of New-Netherland*, 1, 138. His first wife was Josyna ——; the second, Barentje Stmetsmans, widow of Hans Coenraetse Backer. In 1688 she was again a widow, and made provision for the partition of her estate into 15 parts, one for each of her living children, viz: 10 by her first husband and 5 by the second. Jacob Janse Gardenier left 5 sons, besides daughters, who mostly settled in Columbia county.

knowledged that he is well and truly indebted, and in arrears, to Mr. Andries Teller, in the sum of two hundred and forty-eight guilders and two stuivers in beavers, and eighteen guilders and four stuivers in seewant, growing out of a matter of money loaned to the aforesaid Jacob Janse to his content; which aforesaid sum of two hundred and forty-eight guilders two stuivers in beavers, and eighteen guilders four stuivers in seewant, this mortgagor promises to pay to Mr. Andries Teller, or his order, within the time of three months next coming, in good merchantable beavers' skins, reckoned at 8 guilders apiece, or other payment to the content of the aforenamed Mons. Teller; pledging therefor specially his negro boy named Wynamus, about 9 years old, together with another negro named Bock, about twenty-one years old, with this understanding, that if so be that he, Mr. Teller, be not paid the above sum within the limited time, then shall he [Gardenier] deliver to him the aforesaid negro boy Wynamus, hale and sound, for the sum of twenty-eight merchantable beavers, and the remainder of the sum he shall pay as herebefore mentioned; and further pledging generally his person and estate, personal and real, present and future, nothing excepted, and submitting the same to the force of all the laws and judges, for the promoting of the payment thereof if need be, without cost and loss.

Done in Albany, on the 22d January, 167$\frac{6}{7}$.

JACOB JANSEN GERDENIER.
ALYEUAS FLODDER.

Richard Pretty.
Dierck Wesselse.

In my presence,
RO. LIVINGSTON, Secr.

Appeared before me Robt. Livingston, secr., etc., and in presence of the honorable magistrates, Mr. Richard Pretty and Mr. Andries Teller, etc., Dirk Hesseling, who declared that he had in true rights, free ownership, granted, conveyed and transferred, to and for the behoof of Jacob Hevick [or Hevin], in two certain lots of land lying in the colony Rensselaerswyck, the one before this belonging to Dirk Van Schelluyne, which devolved upon him by commission of the honorable court, by virtue of an execution of date the 17th of June, 1670, and the other before this belonging to Hendrik Reur, deceased, and by the late director, Mons. Jeremias Van Rensselaer, sold at public sale, of which the grantor remained the highest bidder and buyer, according to the vendue book in the custody of the vendue master, Mons. Provoost, of date the 9th of July, 1670, and that free and unencumbered, excepting the lord's right, with no claim standing or issuing against the same, and without the grantor's having the least claim any more upon it, acknowledging that he is fully paid and satisfied therefor, the first penny with the last, giving therefore *plenam actionem cessam*, and full power to the aforenamed Jacob Hevick, his heirs and successors, or those who may hereafter acquire right and title from him, to do with and dispose of the said two lots of land as he might do with his patrimonial estate and effects; promising the same to defend against all persons, and to free it from all trouble, claims or charges which are lawful; and further, never more to

do or suffer anything to be done against the same, either with or without law, in any manner whatsoever, under obligation as provided therefor by law.

DIRCK HESSELINGH.

Richard Pretty.
A. Teller.

In my presence,
RO. LIVINGSTON, Secr.

Appeared before me Robert Livingston, secr., etc., and in the presence of the honorable magistrates, Mr. Richard Pretty, and Mr. Andries Teller, etc., Paulus Martense [Van Benthuysen], wheelwright, who declared that he had in true rights, free ownership, granted, conveyed and transferred to and for the behoof of Harme Gansevoort,[1] in his house and lot, standing and lying in Albany, in the Cow street,[2] where the aforesaid Harme at present dwells, being a corner house, and that, as it lies in fence; bounded south by Mr. Samuel Wilson, east by the house of Hubert Janse de Vroome, and north and west by the public street,[3] which this grantor does by virtue of two patents, both from the late Governor Nicolls, the one granted to him, the grantor, of date the 7th of May, 1667, and the other granted to Arent Janse, of date the 11th of June, 1667, which he received from said Arent Janse, and that free and unencumbered, excepting the lord's right, with no claim standing or issuing against the same, and without the grantor's making the least claim against it any more, acknowledging that he is fully paid and satisfied therefor, the first penny with the last, and giving therefore *plenam actionem cessam*, and full power to the aforesaid Harme Gansevoort, his heirs and successors, or those, who may hereafter acquire right and title from him, to do with and dispose of the aforesaid house and lot, as he might do with his patrimonial estate and effects; promising the same to defend against all persons, and to free it from all trouble, claims or charges, which are lawful, and further, never more to do or suffer anything to be done against the same, either with or without law, in any manner whatsoever, under obligation as provided therefor by law.

Done in Albany, the 24th of March, 167$\frac{6}{7}$.

POULUS MARTENS.

Richard Pretty.
A. Teller.

In my presence,
ROB. LIVINGSTON, Secr.

The honorable commissaries of Albany, colony Renselaerswyck and Schinnechtady, declare by these presents, that they have in true rights, free ownership, granted and conveyed to and for the behoof of Mr. Cor-

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[1] Harmen Gansevoort was a brewer, and occupied the lot on which the Stanwix Hall now stands. His wife was Maritie Leendertse Conyn. They had two sons, Leendert and Henderick, and three daughters.

[2] Two streets at different times passed by this name, South Pearl and Broadway, the latter is here alluded to.

[3] The lot, here described, was on the south corner of Broadway and Maiden lane; the former street being sometimes called Cow street.

nelus Van Dyck, chirurgeon, in a certain parcel of ground, lying on the third kil [Fossen kil], in length on the south side, thirty rods, including the kil; breadth on the west side, twenty-four rods; length on the north side, twenty rods; and breadth on the [east] end, next the land, formerly belonging to Andries De Vos, twenty-four rods; which [land] the aforesaid Van Dyck has bought of the diaconate of Albany,[1] free and unencumbered, and the same is conveyed by way of barter and exchange for a parcel of land on the Rutten kil,[2] of a morgen and a half in size, heretofore conveyed to said Van Dyck, by conveyance, of date 10th of April, 1673, and which extended to the inconvenience of the citizen's range for their cattle; giving therefore full power to the aforesaid Cornelis Van Dyck, his heirs and successors, or those who may receive right and title hereafter from him, to dispose of the same as he might do with his patrimonial estate and effects, and hereby, he is empowered to solicit a patent for the same of the right honorable the governor general.

Done in Albany, the 29th of March, 1677.

A. Teller.
Dierck Wesselse [Ten Broeck].

Acknowledged before me,

Robt. Livingston, Secr.

Appeared before me Robt Livingston, secr., etc., and in the presence of the honorable magistrates, Mr. Richard Pretty and Mr. Andries Teller, etc., Jan Conell, who declared and acknowledged, that he is well and truly indebted, and in arrears to Capt. Anthº Brockholes,[3] in the sum of fifty-two pounds two shillings and nine-pence sterling, growing out of a matter of goods and merchandise to his content received, which aforesaid £52 2*s.* 9*p.* sterling, this mortgagor promises to pay to Capt. Anthº Brockholes, or to his order, in two installments, of which the first shall be in the coming business season (*handel tydt*), in the month of August, six and twenty pounds one shilling and four and a half pence, being the just half, and that in beavers and in good current strung seewant, to wit, thirty beavers at 12 shillings sterling, a piece, is £18, and the remainder, in good merchantable seewant, at one shilling, reckoned for two guilders; the second installment, one year thereafter, 1678, in the month of August, the sum of twenty-six pounds one shilling four and a half pence sterling, to wit, thirty good merchantable beavers and the remainder in good strung seewant, as the first payment, pledging therefor specially his house and lot, lying here in Albany, on the hill; bounded south, by Arent Van den Bergh; north, on the new house of Dirk Wesselse; and generally his person and estate, real and personal, present and future, nothing excepted,

[1] Andries De Vos's land lay on the west side of Pearl street, extending from Steuben street northerly to or beyond the Vossen kil, now Canal street; and Dr. Van Dyck's lot, above described, lay in the valley of the Vossen kil, next west of De Vos's land.

[2] The Rutten kil is now a covered sewer. It crosses Beaver street, above Pearl, and runs north easterly till it crosses Norton street, when it takes an easterly direction towards the river, between Norton and State streets, and empties into the basin, a little south of the foot of the latter street.

[3] Commander Brockols was chief military officer, under the governor, and during his absence from New York, occasionally acted as his deputy. He resided chiefly in New York. He married 2 May, 1681, Susanna Schrik (widow), daughter of Wm. Teller, Sen., by whom he had eight children.

and submitting the same to the force of all laws and judges, to promote the payment thereof in due time (if need be), without loss and cost.

Done in Albany, on the 3d of May, 1677.

JOHN CONELL.

Richard Pretty.
A. Teller.

Acknowledged before me,

ROBT. LIVINGSTON, Secr.

Copia vera:

Received from John Connell, of Albany, six and twenty pounds one shil: and four pence half penny, being one half or moeyty of fifty-two pound 2s. and nine-pence due to Capt. Antho. Brockholes; I say received by me July the twenty-third day, Anno 1678.

Witness,
Charles Celes.

ROBERT HAMILTON.
This is a true copy, R: LIV: Secr.
Record: 8 Aug., 1678.

Appeared before me Robt. Livingston, secr., etc., and in the presence of the honorable magistrates, Mr. Richard Pretty and Mr. Direk Wesselse [Ten Broeck], etc., Jan Conell, who declared that he had in true rights, free ownership, granted, conveyed, and transferred to James Penniman, in a certain house and lot lying here in Albany, with all that is thereon fast by earth and nailed; and in length and breadth as it lies in fence; bounded north by the *dwars* house of Jurian Janse Groenwout, and south by the house of Harme Gansevoort, on condition that the *dwars* house on the point of the northeast side shall stand a foot from the lot, and then follow a straight line, and a free drip between him and Harme Gansevoort; and that by virtue of a conveyance given to him by Jurian Janse Groenwout, of date the 8th of February, 1669, to which reference is here made, and that free and unencumbered, with no claim standing or issuing against the same, except the lord's right, and without the grantor's making the least claim any more upon it, acknowledging that he is fully paid and satisfied therefor, the first penny with the last, giving therefore *plenum actionem cessam*, and full power to the aforesaid James Penniman, his heirs and successors, or those who may hereafter acquire right and title from him, to do with and dispose of the same as he might do with his patrimonial estate and effects; promising the aforesaid house and lot to defend from all persons, and to free it from all trouble, claims or charges which are lawful; and further, never more to do nor suffer anything to be done against the same, either with or without law, in any manner whatsoever, under obligation as provided therefor by law.

Done in Albany, the 15th of May, 1677.

JOHN CONELL.

Richard Pretty.
Direk Wesselse.

Acknowledged before me,

ROBT. LIVINGSTON, Secr.

Appeared before me Ro. Livingston, secr., etc., Mr. Andries Teller, who acknowledged that he is fully paid and satisfied by Jacob Janse Gardenier, alias Flodder, in respect to an obligation of the 22d Jan., 167$\frac{6}{7}$,

given to said Mr. Teller for the sum of 248 guilders and 2 stuivers in beavers, and 18 guilders 4 stuivers in seewant, thanking said Jacob Janse for prompt payment; and he promises the same [Gardenier] to free from all claims, from the beginning of the world to this date.

Thus done in Albany, in presence of Pieter Meese Vrooman and Gabriel Thomasen, as witnesses hereunto invited, being the 17th of May, 1677.

A. TELLER.

Testes:
Pieter Meese Vrooman.
Gabriell Tomasen.

Acknowledged before me,

ROBT. LIVINGSTON, Secr.

Appeared before me Robt. Livingston, secr., etc., and in the presence of the honorable magistrates, Mr. Richard Pretty and Mr. Andries Teller, etc., Jacob Janse Gardenier, alias Flodder, who acknowledged that he is well and truly indebted, and in arrears, to Pieter Meese Vrooman, in the quantity of three hundred and fifty good merchantable boards (*greene planken*), growing out of a matter of money paid to the aforesaid Jacob Janse to his content, which aforesaid 350 boards this mortgagor promises to pay to Pieter Meese or his order on demand, pledging therefor specially his negro boy Wynamus, aged about nine years, and generally his person and estate, personal and real, present and future, nothing excepted, and submitting the same to the force of all laws and judges to promote the payment of the same in due time, if need be, without cost and loss.

Done in Albany, the 17th of May, 1677.

JACOB JANSE GERDENIER,
alyas FLODDER.

Richard Pretty.
A. Teller.

Acknowledged before me,

ROBT. LIVINGSTON, Secr.

I, the undersigned, acknowledge that I am fully paid for this mortgage by the hands of Jacob Janse Gardenier, alias Flodder, freeing him from all claims.

Done in Albany, the 1st of May, 1680.

PIETER MEESE VROOMAN.

In my presence,

RO. LIVINGSTON, Secr.

Appeared before me Robt. Livingston, secr., etc., and in the presence of Mr. Richard Pretty and Andries Teller, commissaries, etc., Hendrick Rooseboom, who declared that he had in true rights, free ownership, granted, conveyed and transferred, by these presents, to and for the behoof of Mr. Philip Schuyler, in a certain lot lying here in Albany, on the hill; bounded on the south by the lot of Mr. Wilson,[1] and on the

[1] Samuel Wilson, a merchant of great wealth, established himself in New York soon after the cession to England, his residence being on the south side of the present Wall street near Pearl. Mr. Wilson was a prominent citizen and active in public life. He died in the year 1689, leaving a widow and two sons.—*Valentine's History of New York*, p. 246. In 1682, Pieter Fileroy, *alias* De Garmean, contracts for the purchase of his house and lot in Albany.—*English Manuscripts.*

north by the lot of the aforenamed Hendrick Rooseboom, and on the west by the public street; in breadth on the west and east sides thirty wood feet, and in length fifty-one feet on the south and north sides, Rynland measure (and whereas he is minded to build a house thereupon, so the same is granted drip free), by virtue of a patent thereof, of date the 30th of April, 1667, from the right honorable governor general Nicolls, and a conveyance given to him by the administrators of the estate of the late Reyndert Pieterse,[1] executed before Secretary Ludovicus Cobes, of date the 14th of June, 1673, and that free and unencumbered, with no claim standing or issuing against the same, excepting the lord's right, and without the grantor's making the least claim any more upon it, acknowledging that he is fully paid and satisfied therefor, the first penny with the last, and giving therefore *plenam actionem cessam*, and full power to the aforenamed Mr. Philip Pieterse Schuyler, his heirs and successors, or those who may acquire right and title hereafter from him, to do with and dispose of the aforesaid lot as he might do with his patrimonial estate and effects; promising the same to defend against all persons, and to free it from all trouble, claims or charges which are lawful; and further, never more to do or suffer anything to be done against the same, either with or without law, in any manner whatsoever, under obligation as provided therefor by law.

Done in Albany, on the 14th of June, 1677.

HENDRICK ROESBOOM.

Richard Pretty.
A. Teller.

Acknowledged before me,

ROBT. LIVINGSTON, Secr.

Appeared before me Robt. Livingston, secr., etc., and in the presence of the honorable magistrates, Mr. Richard Pretty and Mr. Dirk Wessells [Ten Broeck], etc., James Penniman, who declared that he had in true rights, free ownership, granted, conveyed and transferred to Mr. Andries Teller, in a certain house and lot lying here, with all that is thereon, fast by earth and nailed; in breadth and length as it lies in fence; bounded northerly by the house (*dwars huys*) of Jurian Janse Groenwont, and south by the house of Harme Gansevoort, on condition that the *dwars* house on the point on the northeast side shall stand one foot from the lot, and that it run in a straight line, and there be a free drip between him and Harme Gansevoort, by virtue of a conveyance made him by Jan Conell, of date the 15th of May, 1677, to which reference is made, and that free and unencumbered, with no claim standing or issuing against the same, excepting the lord's right, and without the grantor's making the least claim any more upon it; acknowledging that he is fully paid and satisfied for the same, the first penny with the last, giving therefore *plenam actionem cessam*, and full power to the aforesaid Mr. Andries Teller, his heirs and successors, or those who may hereafter acquire right and title from him, to do with and dispose of the same as he might do with his patrimonial estate and effects; promising to defend the aforesaid house and lot against all persons, and to free the same from all trouble, claims or charges which are right; and further, never more to do or

[1] *Records*, page 221.

suffer anything to be done against the same, either with or without law, in any manner whatsoever, under obligation as provided by law.

Done in Albany, the 8th of June, 1677.

JAMES PENIMAN.

Richard Pretty.

Acknowledged before me,

ROBT. LIVINGSTON, Secr.

Appeared before me Robt. Livingston, secr., etc., and in the presence of the honorable magistrates, Mr. Richard Pretty and Mr. Dirk Wesselse [Ten Broeck], etc., Mr. Andries Teller, who declared that he had in true rights, free ownership, granted, conveyed and transferred to Mr. Samuell Willson, in a certain house and lot lying here in Albany, with all that is thereon fast by earth and nailed, in breadth and length as it lies in fence, bounded north by the *dwars* (cross?) house of Jurrian Janse Groenwout, and south by the house of Harmen Gansevoort, on condition that the *dwars* house on the corner of the northeast side shall stand a foot from the lot, and that it [lot] follows a straight line, and there be a free drip between him and Harme Gansevoort, and that by virtue of a conveyance given him by James Penniman of date the 8th of June, 1677, to which reference is here made, free and unencumbered, with no claim standing or issuing against the same, and without the grantor's making the least claim upon it any more, acknowledging that he is fully paid and satisfied therefor, the first penny with the last, and giving therefore *plenam actionem cessam*, and full power to the aforesaid Mr. Samuel Wilson, his heirs and successors, or those who may hereafter acquire right and title from him, to do with and dispose of the same as he might do with his patrimonial estate and effects; promising to defend the aforesaid house and lot from all persons, and to free it from all trouble, claims or charges which are lawful; and further, never more to do nor suffer anything to be done against the same, either with or without law, in any manner whatsoever, under obligation as provided therefor by law.

Done in Albany, the 9th of June, 1677.

A. TELLER.

Richard Pretty.
Dirck Wesselse.

Acknowledged before me,

RO. LIVINGSTON, Secr.

Appeared before me Robt. Livingston, secr., etc., and in the presence of the honorable magistrates, Mr. Richard Pretty and Mr. Andries Teller, etc., Mattheus Abrahamse [Van Deusen],[1] who declared that he had in true rights, free ownership, granted, conveyed and transferred to Paulus Martense [Van Benthuysen], in a certain house and lot lying here in Albany, with all that is therein, fast by earth and nailed; bounded south by Pieter Loockermans, north by the house of Lourence Van Ale and Jan Janse Bleecker, and west and east by the public street; in breadth in front on the street two rods, and in the rear on the west side one rod

[1] Mattheus, or Teuwis, Abrahamse Van Deusen, was at Fort Orange in 1657. He had two brothers, Melgert and Jacob. His wife's name was Helena in 1700. They had three sons, Robert, Jan and Isaac, and perhaps daughters.

and ten feet and a half; length on the north side six and a half rods, and on the south side six rods five and a half feet;[1] which this grantor does, by virtue of a patent granted him by the right honorable governor general, Rich'd Nicolls, of date the 7th of May, 1667, to which reference is here made, and that free and unencumbered, with no claim standing or issuing against the same (excepting the lord's right), and without the grantor's having the least claim upon it any more, acknowledging that he is fully paid and satisfied therefor, the first penny with the last, and giving therefore *plenam actionem cessam*, and full power to the aforesaid Paulus Martense, his heirs and successors, or those who may hereafter acquire right and title from him, to do with and dispose of said house and lot as he might do with his other patrimonial estate and effects; promising to defend the same against all persons, and to free it from all trouble, claims and charges, which may hereafter arise, and never more to do or suffer anything to be done against the same, either with or without law, in any manner whatsoever, under obligation as provided therefor by law.

Done in Albany, the 26th of June, 1677.

This is the mark of M MATTHEUS ABRAHAMSE,
with his own hand set.

Richard Pretty.
A. Teller.

Acknowledged before me,

ROBT. LIVINGSTON, Secry.

Appeared before me Robt. Livingston, secr., etc., and in presence of the after named witnesses, Annetie Lievens, widow of Goose Gerritse [Van Schaick], deceased, of the one side, and Jan Jacobse Van Noortstrant[2] of the other side, who declared that they had in amity and friendship made a bargain with each other for the sale of a piece of land lying to the north of the fourth branch or fork (*spruyt*) [of the Mohawk river], above the colony Rensselaerswyck, being a part of a parcel of land called the foreland of the Half Moon, and by the Indians Mathahenaack, together with about two morgens of cleared land lying on the island [Cohoes], which lies directly over against the aforesaid parcel of land, commonly called Haver [Oats] island, and that in the manner following: *Firstly.*—The widow aforesaid acknowledges that she has sold, and Jan Jacobse Van Noortstrant that he has bought of her, the aforesaid parcel of land, stretching from the fourth fork [of the Mohawk river] to the little creek close by Roeloff Gerritse [Van der Werken's][3] house, containing about seven morgens of arable land (*bouw lant*), having to the south the aforenamed fourth fork, to the west Roeloff Gerritse, to the north the little creek, and to the east the rivér, together with two morgens of arable land lying upon the Haver [Oats] island, which lies directly

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[1] This lot was doubtless on the west side of Broadway, north of Maiden lane, extending back to James street.

[2] Jan Jacobse Van Noorstrant was in Coxsackie in 1685, and bought land in Niskayuna. In 1670 his wife, Agniette, took a dismission from the Albany church to that of New York. They had one daughter, Margriet, baptized in Albany, for the church at Albany was the only one north of Esopus, now Kingston, for many years.

[3] Roeloff Gerritse Van Der Werken early settled at the forks of the Mohawk. By his wife, Geertruy Jacobse, he had five sons, Johannes, Jacob, Gerrit, Hendrik and Albert, besides four daughters.

over against the aforesaid parcel of land; the same to be delivered to the buyer free and unencumbered at the end of the term [of this contract], only excepting the lord's [duke's] right; for which two parcels of land Jan Jacobse Van Noortstrant promises to deliver the number of six and sixty whole beavers, to be paid in wheat, oats, or other grain, cattle, work, etc., at market prices, and that in four installments, a just fourth part each time, being sixteen beavers and a half, whereof the first shall be in March, 1679, the second installment in March, 1680, the third in 1681, and the fourth in March, 1682; and it was hereby covenanted and agreed that the aforenamed Jan Jacobse shall put the aforesaid land in a sufficient fence the next spring, for the keeping of her and his land free [from cattle]. Also, that the widow aforesaid shall have free passage for her cattle through his land up to the Half Moon, for pasturage there. Likewise the buyer shall be held to keep away all the cattle which may come from the Half Moon to do damage to the aforesaid widow's corn. Further, it is agreed that at harvest time, when the grain is in, the cattle of the aforesaid widow shall have free pasture on his, the buyer's, land, and in the stubble, and his cattle in like manner upon her land, to prevent all quarrels respecting the driving of cattle. And if the buyer does not pay for the aforesaid lands at the times [specified], then the seller takes her land again; wherewith the contracting parties are well satisfied, it being done without craft or guile, respectively pledging hereto for the performance of these presents, their persons and estates, personal and real, present and future.

Thus done in Albany, the 26th of June, 1677, in presence of Mr. Gerrit Banker and Harme Rutgers, as witnesses hereto invited.

ANNETGE LIEVENS.

This is the mark of JAN JACOBSE VAN NORTSTRANT, with his own hand set.

Gerret Bancken.
Hermen Rutgers.

Acknowledged before me,

ROBT. LIVINGSTON, Secr.

On the 10th Octobr., 1680, Roeloff Gerritse [Van der Werken], assumed [?] the above purchase of Jan Jacobse, the widow agreeing thereto, he paying 56 beavers, ¼ in the winter of 168½, and the ¾ each winter thereafter.

Appeared before me Robt. Livingston, secr., etc., and in presence of the honorable magistrates, Mr. Richard Pretty and Mr. Andries Teller, etc., the honorable Thomas De Laval, as attorney for Mr. John Savine,[1] heir of Capt. Thomas Willet, merchant at Boston, who acknowledged that he is fully paid and satisfied by Mr. Robt. Story, in respect to an obligation which said Story gave to the heirs of the aforesaid Willet, for the sum of three hundred and fifty-seven guilders beavers, of date the 26th of August, 1676, and thanking said Ro. Story for prompt payment; promising him to free from all trouble or claims; which aforesaid obligation

[1] Merchant of New York.—*English Manuscripts.*

said Story gave for the freeing of the house which he bought of Wm. Nottingham, from a mortgage which was then upon said house for the aforesaid sum; pledging therefor his person and estate, personal and real, present and future, nothing excepted.

Thus done in Albany, on the 25th July, 1677.

THO. DE LAVALL.

Richard Pretty.
A. Teller.

Acknowledged before me.

ROBT. LIVINGSTON, Secr.

Appeared before me Ro. Livingston, secr., etc., and in the presence of the afternamed witnesses, Mr. Samuel Wilson, of the one side, and Mr. Jan Heyndrik Bruyn, of the other side, who declared that they, in amity and friendship, had agreed and covenanted with each other in respect to the sale of a house and lot standing and lying here in Albany, on the hill, between the house of Robt. Sanders and the new house of Capt. Philip Schuyler, and that in the manner following: *First.*—Mr. Bruyn promises to pay to Mr. Wilson, for the aforesaid house, the quantity of one hundred and fourteen beavers, to be reckoned at 8 guilders apiece, always provided that the buyer have the choice or option to pay in heavy beavers, that is, five quarter pounds beavers reckoned at 8 guilders a beaver, and that in two installments, of which the first shall be paid down at once, a sum of fifty-seven beavers, and the second in New York, also fifty-seven beavers, within the time three months; with the first payment, being cash down, the house shall be delivered with all that is therein, fast by earth or nailed, and as the same is in fence, on condition that the seller on the payment of the last installment shall be holden to deliver a good valid conveyance, together with the patent thereof. The aforesaid covenants the said contracting parties mutually promise to keep and perform, under a pledge of their respective persons and estates, nothing excepted, subject to all courts, laws and judges. In witness whereof the contracting parties have signed this in presence of Jan Van Loon and Claas Janse Stavast, as witnesses hereto invited.

Done in Albany, the 26th of July, 1677.

SAMUELL WILLSON.
J. H. BRUYN.

Jan Van Loon.[1]
Claes Jansen Stavast.

Acknowledged before me,

ROBT. LIVINGSTON, Secr.

Appeared before me Robt. Livingston, secr., etc., and in the presence of the honorable magistrates, Mr. Andries Teller and Mr. Direk Wesselse [Ten Broeck], etc., Pieter Winne, Junior,[2] who acknowledged that he is well and truly indebted, and in arrears, to Mr. Richard Pretty, in the

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[1] Jan Van Loon came from Luyck, Holland, and early settled at Coxsackie, at a place called Loonenburgh, now Athens. He was by trade a blacksmith. In 1676, he married Maria Albertse, in New York, and had three sons, Albert, Nicolaas and Matthews, and perhaps other children.

[2] Pieter Winne, Jr., son of Pieter Winne, was born in 1643; he settled at Esopus, where he was living in 1696, when letters of administration were issued on the estate of his father.

sum of four hundred and twenty-four guilders seewant, growing out of a matter of goods and moneys received to his content, for which he promised to deliver tar for his honor the governor general; but having failed in this, and being willing to give satisfaction to the aforesaid Mr. Pretty for the aforementioned 424 guilders seewant, he engages and pledges himself to work with Mr. Marten Gerritse [Van Bergen], from the 1st of August, 1677, until the whole sum shall have been earned (sickness only excepted), which payment shall be for the aforenamed Mr. Pretty or his order; and for the performance of the same he pledges his person and estate, real and personal, present and future, nothing excepted, submitting the same to the force of all laws and judges. In witness whereof he has signed this with his own hand.

Done in Albany, on the 8th of August, 1677.

This is the mark P. P. W. of PR. WINNE, JR., with his own hand set.

A. Teller.
Direk Wessels.

Acknowledged before me,

ROBT. LIVINGSTON, Secr.

The honorable commissaries of Albany, colony Rensselaerswyck and Schaenhechtady, declare by those presents that they have in true rights, free ownership, granted, conveyed and transferred to and for the behoof of Pr. Meese Vrooman, in a certain house and lot standing and lying in Albany; bounded south by Ro. Sanders, and north by the house of Capt. Schuyler; in breadth and length according to the patent thereof of date the 6th of March, 1667, to which reference is here made; and whereas said Pieter Meese, in the court (*vergaderinge*), has made it appear that the aforesaid house was bought by his predecessor (*voorzaat*),[1] Gerrit Janse Stavast, of Richard Frizer [*Frazier?*], and by him, Meese, paid for, unto such persons as he was directed, and chiefly to Mr. Pretty, in whose hands the patents were deposited; and afterwards said Frizer died in England, without appointing any attorney; therefore their honors of the court, this conveyance make, free and unencumbered, with no claim standing or issuing against the same (excepting only the lord's right), and without their honors, the court, making the least claim thereupon, giving therefore full power and *plenam actionem cessam*, to the aforenamed Pieter Meese Vrooman, his heirs and successors, or those who may hereafter acquire right and title from him, to do with and dispose of the said house and lot as he might do with his other patrimonial estate and effects; promising the same to defend against all persons, and to free it from all trouble, claims and charges; and further, never more to do nor suffer anything to be done against the same, either with or without law, in any manner whatsoever.

Given under our hands and seals, in Albany, the 14th of August, 1677.

PHILIP SCHUYLER.
A. TELLER.

In my presence,

RO. LIVINGSTON, Secr.

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[1] The former husband of his wife, widow of Gerrit Janse Stavast.

Appeared before me Robt. Livingston, secr., etc., in the presence of the honorable magistrates, Mr. Richard Pretty and Mr. Andries Teller, etc., Pr. Meuse Vrooman, who declared that he had in true rights, free ownership, granted, conveyed and transferred to Elizabeth Claese, widow of the late Jan Burger, deceased, to a certain house and lot, standing and lying in Albany; bounded south by Ro. Sanders, and north by the new house of Capt. Schuyler; in breadth and length according to the patent thereof, of date the 6th of June, 1667, to which reference is here made, which he does by virtue of a decree granted him by the honorable commissaries of this town, of date the 14th of August, 1677, and that free and unencumbered, with no claim standing or issuing against the same, (excepting the lord's right), and without the grantor's making the least claim thereupon any more; acknowledging that he is fully paid and satisfied therefor, the first penny with the last, and giving therefore *plenam actionem cessam*, and full power to the aforesaid Elizabeth Claese, her heirs and successors, or those who may hereafter acquire right and title from her, to do with and dispose of the same, as she might do with her patrimonial estate and effects; promising to defend the same against all persons, and to free it from all trouble, claims or charges, which are lawful, and further, never more to do or suffer anything to be done against the same, either with or without law in any manner whatsoever, under obligation as provided therefor according to law.

Done in Albany, the 6th of September, 1677.

PIETER MEESEN VROOMAN.

Richard Pretty.
A. Teller.

In my presence,

RO. LIVINGSTON, Secr.

Appeared before me Robt Livingston, secr., etc., and in presence of the honorable magistrates, Mr. Richard Pretty and Mr. A. Teller, etc., Elizabeth Claese, widow of the late Jan Burger, deceased, who declared that she had in true rights, free ownership, granted, conveyed and transferred to Mr. Samuell Wilson, merchant at New York, a certain house and lot, standing and lying in Albany, bounded south by Ro. Sanders, and north by the new house of Capt. Schuyler, in breadth and length according to the patent thereof, of date the 6th of June, 1667, whereto reference is here made; which she does by virtue of a conveyance to her, given by Pr. Meuse Vroomen, of date the 6th of September, 1677, and that free and unencumbered, with no claim standing or issuing against the same (excepting the lord's right), and without the grantor's making the least pretensions to the same any more, acknowledging that she is fully paid and satisfied therefor, the first and last pennies, and giving therefore *plenam actionem cessam*, and full power to the aforesaid Mr. Samuell Wilson, his heirs and successors, or those who may hereafter acquire right and title from him, to do with and dispose of the same, as he might do with his patrimonial estate and effects; promising the aforesaid house and lot to defend against all persons, and to free it from all trouble, claims or charges, which are lawful, and further, never more to do no or suffer anything to be done against the same, either with or with-

out law in any manner whatsoever, under obligation as provided therefor by law.

Done in Albany, on the 7th of September, 1677.

LEYSEBETH CLAES.

Richard Pretty.
A. Teller.

Acknowledged before me,

RO. LIVINGSTON, Secr.

Appeared before me Robt Livingston, secr., etc., and in the presence of the honorable magistrates, Mr. Richard Pretty, and Mr. Andries Teller, etc., Samuell Willson, merchant at New York, who declared that he had in true rights, free ownership, granted, conveyed and transferred to and for the behoof of Mr. Jan Heyndrik Bruyn, in a certain house and lot, standing and lying in Albany, on the hill, bounded south by Ro. Sanders, and north by the new house of Capt. Philip Schuyler, in breadth and length according to the patent thereof, of date the 6th of June, 1667, whereto reference is here made, which he does by virtue of a conveyance, given by Elizabeth Claese, widow of the late Jan Burger, deceased, of date the 7th of September, 1677, and that free and unencumbered, with no claim standing or issuing against the same (excepting the lord's right), and without the grantor's making the least pretension to the same any more; acknowledging that he is fully paid and satisfied, the first penny with the last, and giving therefore *plenam actionem cessam*, and full power to the aforesaid Mr. Jan Heyndrickse Bruyn, his heirs and successors, or those who may acquire right and title from him, to do with and dispose of the same as he might do with his patrimonial estate and effects; promising the aforesaid house and lot to defend against all persons, and to free the same from all trouble, claims and charges, as is right, and further, never more to do or suffer anything to be done against the same, either with or without law, in any manner whatsoever, under obligation as provided therefor according to law.

Done in Albany, the 8th of September, 1677.

SAMUELL WILLSON.

Richard Pretty.
A. Teller.

In my presence,

RO. LIVINGSTON, Secr.

Appeared before me Robt Livingston, secr., etc., and in the presence of the honorable magistrates, Mr. Richard Pretty, and Mr. Andries Teller, etc., Evert Luycase Backer,[1] who declared that he had, in true rights, free ownership, granted, conveyed and transferred, to and for the behoof of Jacob Janse Gardenier, in a certain farm, being the just half of the land, lying behind the Kinderhoek, in which is comprised the rights, which were presented to Volkert Janse [Douw], by the right owner Watawit, whose right and title the grantor possesses, namely, all the aforesaid land to wit, the southerly just half with all the rights, title and ownership of the same; lying on the east side of the kil, being the middle-

[1] In 1665, Evert Luycase Backer bought land behind Kinderhook of an Indian (p. 189). He was in Beverwyck in 1657 (p. 171).

most piece of land there, which he, the grantor, does by virtue of the patent to him, granted by the right honorable governor, Richard Nicolls, of date the 26th of June, 1668, and that free and unencumbered, with no claim standing or issuing against the same (excepting the lord's right), and without the grantor's making the least pretension any more to it, acknowledging that he is fully paid and satisfied therefor, the first penny with the last, and giving therefore *plenam actionem cessam*, and full power to the aforesaid Jacob Janse Gardenier, his heirs and successors, or those who may receive right and title from him, to do with and to dispose of the same as he might do with his patrimonial estate and effects; promising the aforesaid parcel of land to defend against all persons, and to free the same from all trouble, claims and charges, which are lawful, and further, never more to do or suffer anything to be done against it, either with or without law, in any manner whatsoever, under obligation as provided therefor according to law.

Done in Albany, the 8th of September, 1677.

EVERT LUYCAS.

Richard Pretty.
A. Teller.

In my presence,

RO. LIVINGSTON, Secr.

On this, the 9th day of September, 1677, appeared before me Ro. Livingston, secr., etc., and in presence of the afternamed witnesses, Jacob Janse Gardenier, *alias* Flodder, who acknowledged that he sold last January, to Adam Dingmans,[1] the farm at Kinderhoeck, upon which he, Dingman, at present resides, in manner following, the same shall be delivered to Adam Dingmans, with all his right, title and ownership of the same, as it lies in fence, with the house, lot, ricks and barn, as he at present occupies it, with a cart and half of a horse, and that for the sum of five hundred guilders, Holland money, to be paid in exchange on Holland, whenever the seller shall desire the bill of exchange, with this reservation that, if so be the bill come back protested or if the money be not recovered there, then the sale shall be nul, and the buyer shall be held to pay yearly rent as before; to which end the contracting parties mutually pledge their respective persons and estates, real and personal, present and future, nothing excepted, placing the same in subjection to all laws and judges.

Done in Albany, without guile or craft, in presence of Arnout Cornelise Viele, and Hendrik Vande Water, as witnesses hereto called.

JACOB JANSE FLODDER.
ADAM DINGEMANS.

Testes:
Arnout Cor. Viele.
Henderick Vande Water.

Acknowledged before me,

RO. LIVINGSTON, Secr.

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[1] Adam Dingman was born in Haarlem, Holland. He married Aeltie, daughter of Jacob Janse Gardenier, by whom he had two sons, Gerrit, and Jacob, and two daughters. He was in Greenbush in 1663, but subsequently settled in Kinderhook. His will made 21 January, 1721, was proved the 20th of March.

By the honorable, the commissaries of Albany, colony Renselaerswyck and Schaenhechtady, etc., whereas Catelyntje Van Eslant, wife of Jacob Abrahamse[1] Cuyper, proposes to depart from here for Holland, to collect and receive there some moneys, coming to her and her brother by way of inheritance, and bequest from her late mother's uncle, Harmanus Antonides Vander Linde, in his life time minister at Naerden, to which end she has solicited of us a certificate testimonial, which we cannot refuse: therefore, we declare that she is a daughter of Claes Van Eslandt, deceased, having been in his life time undertaker (*aenspreecker*) and gravedigger at New York, and her mother's name Willemtie Harpers Vander Linde.

Given under our hands and seals, in Albany, the 25th of September, and in the nine and twentieth year of the reign of our sovereign lord Charles the Second, by the grace of God, king of Great Britain, France, and Ireland, defender of the faith, 1677.

[This paper is a copy without signatures.]

Appeared before me Robert Livingstone, secr., etc., and in presence of the honorable magistrates, Mr. Philip Pieterse Schuyler and Mr. Richard Pretty, etc., Claes Van Eslandt, and Jacob Abrahamse Cuyper, citizens of Albany, who declared that they had, in accordance with advices from Harmanus Vander Linde, dwelling in the Hage, in Holland, appointed and empowered Catelyntje Van Eslandt, wife of the aforesaid Jacob Abrahamse Cuyper, and sister of the aforesaid Claes Van Eslandt, specially to demand, collect and receive in Holland, etc., her and her aforesaid brother's portion of the inheritance and bequest, left for them by her mother's uncle, named Harmanus Antonides Vander Linde, in his life time minister at Naerden, and acquittance to execute for receipts, and for claims to *caveeren* (?), and further, to do, perform and execute all things which may be needful and her judgment may suggest; promising at all times to hold good all that shall be done and performed in the aforesaid matter by their aforesaid sister and wife, as their attorney, without any contradiction.

Done in Albany, in America, on the 25th of September, and in the nine and twentieth year of the reign of our sovereign lord, Charles the Second, by the grace of God, king of Great Britain, France, and Ireland, defender of the faith, Annoque Domini 1677.

[This paper is a copy without signatures.]

By the honorable, the commissaries of Albany, colony of Renselaerswyck and Schaenhechtady, etc., a certain citizen of this town of Albany, in America, named Aernout Corn. Viele, appearing before us solicits very earnestly, that he may receive a certificate testimonial from us, that he was married to one Gerritie Gerritse, born at Amsterdam, Holland, which we are not able to refuse him; whereas some years since a certain power of attorney was given to Harmen Vedder, also in our jurisdiction dwelling, having reference to Arent Janse Timmerman, stepfather of Gerritje

[1] Perhaps Jacob Abrahamse Vosburgh, cooper.

Gerritse, in respect to some moneys, which were coming to her from the Orphans Chamber, but came back fruitless, because not specially addressed to the Messrs. orphan masters, therefore we, to all magistrates on whom these presents are served, make known the truth to be that he, the aforenamed Arnout Corn. Viele is husband and guardian of Gerritje Gerritse, both living and in sound health.

Given under our hands and seals in Albany, in America, on the 25th of September, and in the nine and twentieth year of the reign of our sovereign lord, Charles the Second, by the grace of God, king of Great Britain, France, and Ireland, defender of the faith, Annoq. Dom. 1677.

[This paper is a copy without signatures.]

Appeared before me Robert Livingstone, secretary, etc., and in the presence of the honorable magistrates, Mr. Philip Pieterse Schuyler and Mr. Richard Pretty, etc., Arnout Corn. Viele, citizen and inhabitant here, who declared that he appointed and empowered, by these presents, Messieurs Abraham de Hoshipee and Daniel de Niewville, merchants dwelling in the city of Amsterdam, specially to demand, collect and receive from the Messieurs Orphan Masters of the same city, the sum of two hundred and fifty carolus guilders, with the interest due on the same since the 24th of August, 1656, to the date of payment, arising out of the proven estate of the subscriber's wife, Gerritje Gerritse; and by virtue of an authentic copy herewith given of a certain extract from the five and twentieth register of the orphans' chamber of the city of Amsterdam, fol. iii, drawer 289, together with this [power of attorney], these attorneys [are empowered] acquittance to give for receipts, and in case of refusal, with law and the rigor of justice to constrain them to payment, and to that end all terms of courts to observe unto sentence and extreme execution (*van dien inclays*), and finding the sentence withheld, to challenge or appeal therefrom; and said challenge or appeal also to prosecute to the extreme; with power, also, one or more persons in their places to substitute; and further, to do all things in the matter aforesaid, either with or without law, as may be needful, and as their judgment may suggest, and as he, the subscriber, if himself present, might or could do; promising at all times [to hold good] all that shall be done and performed by the aforesaid attorneys, or by one of them, or by those substituted in the case by virtue of these presents, without any contradiction, under obligation as provided therefor according to law, provided that these attorneys be holden, when asked and solicited, of their transactions to show a proper accounting.

This done and executed in Albany, in America, the 25th of September, and in the nine and twentieth year of the reign of our sovereign lord Charles the Second, by the grace of God King of Great Britain, France and Ireland, defender of the faith. Annoq. Dom. 1677.

[Copy without signature.]

Appeared before me Robert Livingstone, secr., etc., and in the presence of the honorable magistrates, Mr. Philip Schuyler and Mr. Andries Teller, etc., Mr. Cornelis Van Dyck, chirurgeon, husband and guardian of Elizabeth Lakens (both alive and well), who declared that he had ap-

pointed and empowered, by these presents, Mr. William Lakens and Mr. Daniel Houde Koetre, merchants, dwelling in the city of Amsterdam in Holland, specially, in the subscriber's name and for his sake, jointly or severally, to ask, demand, collect and receive such household goods and moneys as are coming to him by way of inheritance and bequest by will, to his wife Elizabeth Lakins aforesaid, from Mr. Dirck Heck, her full cousin, which [property] is lying at Emerck and elsewhere, as appears by said will; together with a just share of the estate left by Meutie Dirckie, also lying there, etc.; and further, all that is coming to him and to his aforesaid wife elsewhere, however it may be and wherever it may be or lie, and therefore acquittance to pass for property received, and in case of refusal, with law and rigor of justice to compel them to payment; to which end all terms of courts to observe, to sentence and the extreme execution of the same; and finding the sentence or sentences adverse, to challenge or appeal therefrom, and said challenge or appeal to prosecute to the extreme; with power one or more persons in their places to substitute; likewise to demand of those there an accounting, inventory, the will, and other writings needful thereto, and if, when heard, the case require it, to come to a reconciliation and compromise, and further to do all things there as their good judgment shall resolve, the property as well personal as real, house lots, lands and other things to sell, and proper conveyance thereof to deliver, and transfer to make as comports with the method of the laws; yea, wherever the matter demands a more specific and graver charge than above stated, which the attorneys shall understand to be herein contained and included, [the subscriber] promises to hold good all that shall be done and performed in the aforesaid matter by the aforenamed attorneys, or either of them or those substituted for them, without any contradiction, under obligation as provided therefor according to law, provided that the attorneys be holden on demand and solicitation to exhibit a proper statement of their aforesaid transactions, and the moneys remaining over.

Thus done and executed in Albany, in America, on the 26th September, 1677.

[Copy without signatures.]

Appeared before me Robert Livingston, secr., etc., and in presence of the honorable Messieurs Philip Schuyler and Dirck Wessells [Ten Broeck], commissaries, etc., Albert Andriese Bratt,[1] who acknowledged that he is well and truly indebted and in arrears to Mr. Nicolaus Van Renselaer, director of colony Renselaerswyck, in the sum of three thousand nine hundred and fifty-six guilders, as appears by the books of the colony Renselaerswyck, growing out of the part rent for the mill and land; which aforesaid 3,956 guilders the mortgagor, to the aforenamed Mr. director or to his successors, promises to pay, provided that whatever he, the mortgagor, shall make appear to have been paid thereon shall be deducted; pledging therefor, specially, the produce of his orchard (*boomgaert gewass*), standing behind the house which the mortgagor now

[1] Albert Andriessen Bradt, de Noorman, married Annetje Barents, by whom he had eight children, one of whom married Teunis Slingerland, of Onisquethaw; and the tradition is, that another was born on shipboard, on the passage out, in the midst of a storm, in consequence of which he was called Storm Vanderzee, a name which has been perpetuated among the Vanderzees. See O'Callaghan's *History of New Netherland*, i, 133.

possesses, from which produce of the orchard he promises to pay in rent during life twenty guilders in patroon's money in apples, and generally pledging his person and estate, personal and real, present and future, nothing excepted; submitting the same to the force of all laws and judges to promote the payment thereof in due time, if need be, without loss or cost.

Done in Albany, without craft or guile, on the 30th of October, 1677.

AALBERT ANDRIESSE BRAT.

Philip Schuyler.
Dierck Wessells.

Acknowledged before me,

ROBT. LIVINGSTON, Secr.

Appeared before me Robert Livingston, secr., etc,, and in the presence of the honorable Capt. Philip Schuyler and Mr. Dirk Wessells, commissaries, etc., Harmen Vedder and Barendt Reyndertse,[1] who declared that they had, in true rights, free ownership, granted, conveyed and transferred to and for the behoof of Claes Janse Van Boeckhoven [2] and Ryck Claese [Van Vranken,] [3] in a certain piece of land lying over the river in Canastagioene [Niskayuna], and that according to all the rights which the aforesaid grantors have therein; which they do by virtue of a patent to them granted by the right honorable the governor general, Francis Lovelace, of date the 19th of May, 1671, to which reference is here made, and that free and unencumbered, with no claim standing or issuing against the same (excepting the lord's right), and without the grantors' making the least pretensions to it any more, acknowledging that they are fully paid and satisfied therefor, the first penny with the last, and giving therefore *plenam actionem cessam*, and full power to the aforesaid Claes Janse Van Boeckhoven and Ryk Claese, their heirs and successors, or those who may acquire right and title from them, to do with and dispose of the aforesaid land as they might do with their patrimonial estates and effects; promising the aforesaid land to defend against all persons, and to free it from all trouble, claims or charges, which are lawful; and, further, never more to do nor suffer anything to be done against the same, with or without law, in any manner whatsoever, under obligation as provided therefor according to law.

Done in Albany, the 31st of October, 1677.

HARMEN VEDDER.
BARENT REYNDERTSE SMIT.

Philip Schuyler.
Dierck Wesselse [*Ten Broeck*].

Acknowledged before me,

ROBT. LIVINGSTON, Secr.

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[1] See pp. 77, 161, 198.

[2] Claes Janse Van Boeckhoven bought land over the river in Niskayuna, in company with Ryck Claas, in 1672.—*Notarial Papers.* His first wife was Volkertie Janse; his second, Catlyntje DeVos, daughter of Andries De Vos and widow of Arent Andriese Brat, whom he married about 1691. He probably lived until about 1712, leaving no children. His property passed to his wife, and, after her death, in 1717, to her children.

[3] Ryck Claas Van Vranken was in Beverwyck as early as 1665 (p. 198). He had three sons, Maas, Gerrit and Evert, and perhaps daughters. This family settled at Niskayuna, on both sides of the river, where the descendants are still found.

Appeared before me Robert Livingston, secr., etc., and in presence of the honorable Capt. Philip Schuyler and Mr. Dirk Wessells [Ten Broeck], commissaries, etc., Barent Reynderse [Smit], who declared that he had, in true rights, free ownership, granted, conveyed and transferred to and for the behoof of Claes Janse Van Boekhooven, for all his title to the land at Canastagioene, on this side of the river, which he does by virtue of a patent to him and Harmen Vedder, granted by the right honorable the governor general, Francis Lovelace, of date the 19th of May, 1671; this aforesaid land being the just half of that which is specified in the aforesaid patent, to wit, on this side of the river; and that free and unencumbered, with no claim standing or issuing against the same, excepting the lord's [duke's] right, and without the grantor's making the least pretension to the same any more; acknowledging that he is fully paid and satisfied therefor, the first penny with the last, and therefore giving *plenam actionem cessam*, and perfect power to the aforesaid Claes Janse Van Boekhooven, his heirs and successors, or those who may acquire right and title from him, to do with and dispose of the aforesaid land as he might do with his patrimonial estate and effects; promising to defend the aforesaid land from all persons, and to free it from all trouble, claims or charges which are lawful; and further, never more to do nor suffer anything to be done against the same, either with or without law, in any manner whatsoever, under obligation as provided therefor according to law.

Done in Albany, the 31st of October, 1677.

BARENT REYNDERTSE SMIT.

Philip Schuyler.
Dirck Wessells.

Acknowledged before me,

RO. LIVINGSTON, Secr.

Appeared before me Robt. Livingston, secr., etc., and in the presence of the honorable Capt. Philip Pieterse Schuyler and Mr. Dirk Wessells, commissaries, etc., Claes Janse Van Boekhooven, who declared that he had, in true rights, free ownership, granted, conveyed and transferred to and for the behoof of Capt. Jan Cloete, in a certain piece of land lying at Canastagioene, on this side of the river, with all the title which he has therein, as it was conveyed to him to-day by Barent Rynderse, being the first half which the aforesaid Barent received on this side of the river, by patent thereof granted to Harme Vedder and Barent Reyndertse by the late governor, Francis Lovelace, of date the 19th of May, 1671; and that free and unencumbered; with no claim standing or issuing against the same, excepting the duke's (*heeren syn*) right, and without the grantor's making the least pretensions any more against it; acknowledging that he is fully paid and satisfied, the first penny with the last, and therefore giving *plenam actionem cessam*, and full power to the aforesaid Capt. Jan Cloete, his heirs and successors, or those who may acquire right and title through him, to do with and dispose of the aforesaid land as he might do with his patrimonial estate and effects; promising to defend the aforesaid land from all persons, and free it from all trouble, claims and charges which are lawful; and further, never more to do or suffer anything to be

done against the same, either with or without law, in any manner whatever, under obligation as provided therefor according to law.

Done in Albany, the 21st of October, 1677.

This is the mark × of CLAES JANSE VAN BOEKHOOVEN, with his own hand set.

Philip Schuyler.
Dirck Wessels.

Acknowledged before me,

ROBT. LIVINGSTON, Secr.

On this, the first day of November, 1677, Cornelis Van Schelluyne [1] declared, in presence of Hend. Cuyler and Claes Van Boekhooven, that it was well known to him that Jan Cloet bought the land of his father at Canastagione, and paid for it to Tieleman Van Schelluyne, his brother,

Acknowledged before me,

RO. LIVINGSTON, Secr.

Appeared before me Robt. Livingston, secr., etc., and in the presence of the afternamed witnesses, Jurian Teunisse Tappen, of the one side, and Capt. Philip Pieterse Schuyler, of the other side, who declared that they had in amity and friendship covenanted and agreed with each other respecting the sale of his, Jurian Teunisse's bouwery, lying on the Hudson river, obliquely over against the bouwery of the aforesaid Capt. Schuyler,[2] as follows: *First.*— Jurian Teunise acknowledges that he has sold, and Capt. Schuyler that he has bought of him, the aforesaid bouwery, with all that appertains to the same, being the just tenth part of the colony Rensselaerswyck, according to the conveyance delivered to him by Jeronimus Ebbinck, of date the 7th of July, 1676, together with horses, cattle, house and barn, grain sowed, and all that is thereon fast by earth and nailed, all of such dimensions as he, Jurian Teunise, at present is in possession, only excepting his, Jurian's household goods, which he now has, everything else that belongs to a farmer's utensils Capt. Schuyler shall possess; the seller shall deliver to the buyer all the above mentioned property on the 8th of this month, and on payment shall give a perfect conveyance; for which bouwery and title to the same, the above named Capt. Schuyler promises to pay to the aforesaid Jurian Teunisse the number of six hundred merchantable beaver skins in the month of July next, 1678, all in one sum, wherewith the parties contracting acknowledge that they are well content; hereto pledging their respective persons and estates, personal and real, present and future.

Thus done in Albany, without craft or guile, in presence of Dirk

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[1] Cornelis and Tieleman Van Schelluyne were two sons of Dirk Van Schelluyne. The former married Geertie Harmense Visscher, and had four sons and two daughters. He was buried on the 27th May, 1728, and his wife survived him several years. His brother Tieleman was living in Albany in 1728, but probably left no descendants.

[2] This bouwery, called the tenth part of the colony Rensselaerswyck, probably extended from Wynant's to the Poesten kil. It was owned by Johanna De Laet, wife of Jeronimus Ebbingh, her father, Johannes De Laet, being one of the partners of the patent. Ebbingh sold it to Jurian Teunisse.

Wessels [Ten Broeck], and Johannes Wendel, as witnesses hereto called, on this 6th of Nov., 1677.

JURIAN TEUNISSE.
PHILIP SCHUYLER.

Dirck Wessels.
Johannes Wendel.

Acknowledged before me,

ROBT. LIVINGSTON, Secr.

Appeared before me Robt. Livingston, secr., etc., in the presence of the afternamed witnesses, Harme Gansevoort, of the one side, and Claes Janse and Albert Jacobse Gardenier,[1] carpenters, of the other side, who declared that they had in amity and friendship covenanted and agreed with each other about the building of a barn for Gansevoort at Catskil, as follows: *First.*— Claes Janse and Albert Jacobse aforesaid, acknowledge that they have agreed to build a barn for Harme Gansevoort at Catskil, with an opening [*uytlaeting*] on both sides; the barn shall be sixty feet long and thirty feet broad, with a floor of timber (*balke*), horse crib, cow stall and loft (*solder*) therein, shortened to fifty feet in length, and of the breadth of the barn; on condition that Harme aforesaid shall furnish them victuals and drink, and all the timber, and deliver the materials that belong thereto on the ground; likewise it is conditioned that Jan Dirkse shall rough hew a month for the aforesaid carpenters at the expense of Harme aforesaid; they shall begin to build in January or February next coming, and not stop the work until the barn is finished according to the above specified conditions; for which he, Harme Gansevoort, promises to pay the sum of forty beavers in two installments, to wit, the first half, being twenty beavers, in the autumn after the barn shall be finished, one-third of the same in maize, one-third in hogs and one-third in cattle, at market prices; the second installment a year after, being likewise twenty beavers, in the same kind, to wit, ⅓ maize, ⅓ in hogs and ⅓ in cattle; with which the contracting parties acknowledge that they are well satisfied, hereto pledging their respective persons and estates, real and personal, present and future.

Thus done in Albany, without craft or guile, in the presence of Claas Janse Stavast and Jan Conel, as witnesses hereunto called, on this 29th of November, 1677.

HERMEN GANSEVORT.
CLAES JANSE.
This is the mark A+ï of ALBERT JACOBSE.

Claes Janse Stavast.
John Conell.

Acknowledged before me,

RO. LIVINGSTON, Secr.

Appeared before me Robt. Livingston, secr., etc., in the presence of the honorable Messieurs Richard Pretty and Andries Teller, commissaries, etc., Capt. Volkert Janse Douw, who declared that he had in true rights,

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[1] Albert Jacobse Gardenier was son of Jacob Janse Gardenier, of Kinderhook. He had three daughters baptized in Albany before 1690, after which time he had two children baptized in New York, where he probably settled after that date.

free ownership, granted, conveyed and transferred to Mr. Pieter Winne, to the half of an island lying in the Hudson river opposite to Paerdehoek, and was before this named Constaple's island, with the half of the house, barn and rick, and all that is thereon fast by earth and nailed, which he, the grantor, does by virtue of a patent granted him by the honorable the governor general, Richard Nicolls, of date the 6th of Sept, 1667, to which reference is here made; and that free and unencumbered, with no claim standing or issuing against the same (excepting only the lord's right), and without the grantor's making the least pretensions any more upon it, and acknowledging that he is fully paid and satisfied therefor, the first penny with the last, and therefore giving *plenam actionem cessam*, and full power to the aforesaid Mr. Pieter Winne, his heirs and successors, or those who may hereafter acquire his right and title, to do with and dispose of the aforesaid half island, and half of that which appertains thereto, as he might do with his other patrimonial estate and effects; promising the same to defend against all persons, and to free it from all trouble, claims or charges which hereafter may arise, and never more to do nor suffer anything to be done, either with or without law, in any manner whatsoever, under obligation as provided therefor according to law.

Done in Albany, the 13th of December, 1677.

VOLCKART JANSE DOUW.

Richard Pretty.
A. Teller.

Acknowledged before me,

RO'T LIVINGSTON, Secr.

Appeared before me Ro. Livingston, secr., etc., and in the presence of the honorable Messieurs Richard Pretty and Andries Teller, commissaries, etc., Paulus Martense Raemmaker,[1] who declared that he had in true rights, free ownership, granted, conveyed and transferred to and for the behoof of Harme Janse Lyndrayer [ropemaker], in a certain house and lot standing and lying here in Albany, with all that is therein fast by earth and nailed, and is bounded south by Pieter Loockermans, north by the house of Laurens Van Ale and Jan Janse Bleecker, west and east by the public street; in breadth, in front on the street [Broadway], two rods, and in the rear on the west side [James street], one rod and ten feet and a half, length on the north side six and a half rods, and on the south side six rods five feet and a half;[2] which he, the grantor, does by virtue of a conveyance given him by Mattheus Abrahamse [Van Deusen], of date the 26th of June, 1677, to which reference is here made, and that free and unencumbered, with no claim standing or issuing against the same (excepting the lord's right), and without the grantor's making the least pretension any more to it; acknowledging that he is fully paid and satisfied, the first penny with the last, and therefore giving *plenam actionem cessam*, and perfect power to the aforesaid Harme Janse Lyndrayer, his heirs and successors, or those who may hereafter acquire his right and title, to do with and dispose of the aforesaid house and lot as he might do

[1] Paulus Martense Van Benthuysen, at other times *rademaker*, i. e., wheelwright.

[2] This lot fronted on Broadway, and extended in the rear to James street, and lay between Maiden lane and Steuben street.

with his patrimonial estate and effects; promising the same to defend against all persons, and to free it from all trouble, claims or charges which may hereafter arise, and never more to do nor suffer anything to be done against the same, either with or without law, in any manner whatsoever, under obligation as provided therefor according to law.

Done in Albany, the 13th December, 1677.

PAULUS MARTENSE.

Richard Pretty.
A. Teller.

Acknowledged before me,

RO. LIVINGSTON, Secr.

Appeared before me Robt. Livingston, secr., etc., and in the presence of the honorable Messieurs Richard Pretty and Andries Teller, commissaries, etc., the Reverend Dom. Nicolaes Van Rensselaer, director of colony Rensselaerswyck, who declared that in the aforesaid character [of director], he had granted, conveyed and transferred to Mr. Pieter Winne, the saw mill on the Betlehem's kil,[1] with the superstructure and appurtenances of the same, as Pieter Winne aforesaid at present is in possession of the same (he bought the same of Mr. Stephanus Van Cortlandt, when director of colony Rensselaerswyck in 1673), which he does by virtue of an agreement made between Mr. Stephanus Von Cortlant, in the character of director of colony Rensselaerswyck, and Albert Rykman, in the character of attorney for Elbert Gerbertse Cruyff, of date the 2d of June, 1675, wherein the superstructure and appurtenances of the aforesaid mill were assigned to Mr Van Cortland; and that free and unencumbered, with no claim standing nor issuing against the same (excepting the lord's right), and without the grantor's making the least pretension to the same any more; acknowledging that he is fully paid and satisfied therefor, the first penny with the last, and therefore giving *plenam actionem cessam*, and full power to the aforesaid Mr. Pieter Winne, his heirs and successors, or those who may hereafter acquire his right and title, to do with and dispose of the aforesaid mill and its appurtenances as he might do with [his] own patrimonial estate and effects; promising the same to defend against all persons, and to free it from all trouble, claims or charges which may hereafter arise, and never to do nor suffer anything to be done against the same, either with or without law, in any manner whatsoever, under obligation as provided therefor according to law.

Done in Albany, the 13th of December, 1677.

NICOLAUS VAN RENSSELAER,
Coloniæ pastor et director.

Richard Pretty.
A. Teller.

In my presence,

RO. LIVINGSTON, Secr.

Appeared before me Ro. Livingston, secr., etc., and in the presence of the honorable magistrates, Mr. Richard Pretty and Andries Teller, etc., Hendrick Marcelis, who declared that he had in true rights, free

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ownership, granted, conveyed and transferred to and for the behoof of Robert Sanders, in a certain lot of land lying without the town of Albany, without the gate by Hendrick Rooseboom,[1] lying to the South of Claas Gerritse,[2] to the north of Jacob Tyssen [Van der Heyden], to the west the land belonging to Andries De Vos, and to the east of the public highway [North Pearl], being in breadth in front five rods, in the rear four rods and four feet, and length ten rods,[3] which he, the grantor, does by virtue of a patent granted him by the right honorable the governor general, Richard Nicolls, of date the 11th of May, 1667, to which reference is here made, this being the just half of the lot mentioned in the said patent, being the first half, the other having been sold to Volkie Van Hoezen,[4] and that free and unencumbered, with no claim standing or issuing against it (excepting the lord's right), and without the grantor's making the least pretensions to the same any more; acknowledging that he is fully paid and satisfied therefor, the first penny with the last, and giving therefore *plenam actionem cessam*, and full power to the aforesaid Robert Sanders, his heirs and successors, or those who may hereafter acquire his right and title, to do with and to dispose of the aforesaid parcel of ground as he might do with his patrimonial estate and effects; promising to defend the same against all persons, and to free it from all trouble, claims and charges which may hereafter arise, and never more to do nor suffer anything to be done against the same, with or without law, in any manner whatsoever, under obligation as provided therefor according to law.

Done in Albany, the 14th of December, 1677.

This is the mark ⅊ of HENDRIK MARCELIS,
with his own hand set.

Richard Pretty.
A. Teller.

Acknowledged before me,

ROT. LIVINGSTON, Secr.

Appeared before me Robt. Livingston, secr., etc., and in the presence of the honorable Messieurs Rich. Pretty and Auds. Teller, commissaries, etc., Mr. Ludovicus Cobes, schout of Schenectady, who declared that he had, by these presents, granted, conveyed and transferred to and for the behoof of Mynerd Jance Wemp,[5] so much of the two last payments as are coming to him from Mr. Gerrit Van Schaick,[6] for the purchase of a house and lot lying here in Albany, amounting to the sum of fifty beavers, according to a bill of sale thereof, of date the 15th of December, 1677, to

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[1] The burgher blockhouse and gate were at the junction of North Pearl and Steuben streets.

[2] There was a Claas Gerritse in Beverwyck in 1640.—*O'Callaghan's History of New Netherland*, I, 439.

[3] This was on the east side of North Pearl, a little way north of Steuben street.

[4] Volkie, the wife of Jan Frause Van Hoesen, the first settler.

[5] Myndert Wemp was son of Jan Barentse Wemp and Marytje Mynderse. He was among the early settlers of Schenectady, where he was killed by the French and Indians. Feb. 9, 1690. He left one son, Johannes, who was carried away captive, but returned and became the father of a numerous family.

[6] Gerrit Van Schaick was eldest son of Goosen Gerrit Van Schaick. He died 11 Nov., 1679.

which reference is here made; and that for a house and lot bought of him, Myndert, standing and lying in Schenectady.

Thus executed in Albany, on the 29th of December, 1677.

LUDOVICUS COBES.

Rich'd Pretty.
A. Teller.

In my presence,

RO. LIVINGSTON, Secr.

Appeared before me Robt. Livingston, secr., etc., and in the presence of the honorable Messieurs Rich. Pretty and A. Teller, commissaries, etc., Wattawyt and his son Appanewayett, with the sister of Wattawyt, named Sassioncha, and her little son named Metschekamek, all Mohegans, dwelling at Schotak, who declared that they are well paid and satisfied by Mr. Gerrit Van Slichtenhorst for their claim upon a certain parcel of land which they, by these presents, release and convey to him, lying in the Claverak between the bouwery of Jan Roothaer and Major Abm. Staes, beginning at a certain fäll upon the kil named Kiesiewey's[1] kil, to the kil of Major Abm. Staes, with the vly, little islands and wood standing thereupon, with all the rights and ownership of the same which they, the former proprietors, possessed; renouncing and making full release for themselves and their heirs, by these presents, of the claims which they had thereupon, to and for the behoof of the aforesaid Mons. Gerrit Van Slichtenhorst, his heirs and successors, or those who may hereafter acquire his right and title, to do with and dispose of the aforesaid land, the appendances and dependencies of the same, as he might do with his own patrimonial estate and effects; promising the same to defend against all persons, and to free it from all trouble, claims or charges which may hereafter arise, and never more to do nor to suffer anything to be done against the same, either with or without law, in any manner whatsoever, under obligation as provided therefor according by law.

Thus done in Albany, and translated by Arnout Cornelise Viele, on this first day of January, 167$\frac{7}{8}$.

This is the mark + of WATTAWYT, with his own hand set, for himself and for his son.

This is the mark + of SASSIONCHA, with her own hand set, for herself and for her son.

Richard Pretty.
A. Teller.
Arnout Cor[*nelise Viele*], *Interpreter.*

Acknowledged before me,

ROT. LIVINGSTON, Secr.

Appeared before me Robt. Livingston, secr., etc., and in the presence of the honorable Messieurs Rich. Pretty and Ands. Teller, commissaries, etc., Claes Janse Van Boekhooven, who declared that he had in true rights, free ownership, granted, conveyed and transferred to and for

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[1] This was the name of an Indian residing in this neighborhood.

the behoof of Tennis Willemse[1] Van Wout Bergh, in a certain piece of arable land of ten morgens, lying on the other side of the river at Canastagioene, to the east of the aforesaid Claas Janse's bouwery, with the right to the woods with his neighbors for a range for his cattle and other purposes, which piece of land Tennis aforesaid at present occupies and tills; which he, the grantor, does by virtue of a conveyance given him by Harme Vedder and Barent Rynderse, of date the 31st of October, 1677, being a part of his half then conveyed, whereto reference is here made, and that free and unencumbered, with no claims standing or issuing against the same (excepting the lord's right), and without the grantor's making the least pretensions to it any more; acknowledging that he is fully paid and satisfied therefor, the first penny as well as the last, and giving therefore *plenam actionem cessam*, and perfect power to the aforesaid Tennis Willemse Van Wout Berg, his heirs and successors, or those who may acquire his right and title, to do with and dispose of the aforesaid land as he might do with his own patrimonial estate and effects; promising the same to defend against all persons, and to free it from all trouble, claims or charges which are lawful; and further, never more to do nor suffer anything to be done against the same, either with or without law, in any manner whatsoever, under obligation as provided therefor according to law.

Done in Albany, the 8th of Feb, 167$\frac{7}{8}$.

This is the mark of + Claes Janse Van Boekhoven.

Richard Pretty.

A. Teller.

Acknowledged before me,

Robt. Livingston, Secr.

Appeared before me Ro. Livingston, secr., etc., and in presence of the honorable Messieurs Rich. Pretty and Andr. Teller, commissaries, etc., Ro. Sanders, who declared that he had in true rights, free ownership, granted, conveyed and transferred to and for the behoof of Paulus Martense [Van Benthuysen], raemmaker,[2] a certain parcel of land, lying without the town of Albany, without the gate by Hend. Rooseboom,[3] lying to the south of Claas Gerritse's, to the north [of] Jacob Tyssen [Van der Heyden], to the west the land belonging to Andries De Vos,[4] and to the east of the public highway [North Pearl street]; being in breadth in front five rods [60 ft.], and in the rear four rods and four feet, and in length ten rods [120 ft.]; which the grantor does by virtue of a conveyance to him given by Hendrik Marcelis, of date the 14th December, 1677, to which reference is here made, this being a just half of the lot mentioned in the patent of said Marcelis, the other half, being the rear, has been sold to Volkie Van Hoesen,[5] and that free and unencumbered, with no claim standing or issuing against the same (excepting the lord's right), and without the grantor's making the least pretension to it

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[1] Tennis Willemse and wife, Jannetie Hendrikse, had three children baptized in Albany 1696–1700.

[2] Sash maker.

[3] This gate was at the junction of North Pearl and Steuben streets.

[4] Andries De Vos's land lay on the west side of North Pearl street, and extended north from Steuben street to Fox creek.

[5] Volkie Van Hoesen was the wife of Jan Franse Van Hoesen, the first settler.

any more; acknowledging that he is fully paid and satisfied therefor, the first penny with the last, and therefore giving *plenam actionem cessam*, and full power to the aforesaid Paul Martense Raemmaker, his heirs and successors, or those who may hereafter acquire his right and title, to do with and dispose of the aforesaid lot as he might do with his own patrimonial estate and effects; promising the aforesaid lot to defend against all persons, and to free it from all trouble, claims or charges which may hereafter arise, and never more to do nor allow anything to be done against the same, in any manner whatsoever, under obligation as provided therefor according to law.

Done in Albany, the 21st of Feb., 167$\frac{7}{8}$.

ROBBERT SANDERS.

Rich. Pretty.
A. Teller.

In my presence,

RO. LIVINGSTON, Secr.

Appeared before me Robt. Livingston, secr., etc., and in the presence of the honorable Messieurs Rich. Pretty and Ands. Teller, commissaries, etc., Paulus Martense [Van Benthuysen], Raemmaker, who declared that he had in true rights, free ownership, granted, conveyed and transferred to and for the behoof of Mr. David Schuyler and Lawrence Van Ale, in a certain lot lying without the town of Albany, without the gate by Hend. Rooseboom, lying to the south of Claes Gerritse, to the north of Jacob Tyssen [Van der Heyden], to the west the land belonging to Andries De Vos, and to the east of the public highway [North Pearl street], being in breadth in front five rods, and in the rear four rods and four feet, and in length ten rods; which he, the grantor, does by virtue of a conveyance to him given by Ro. Sanders, of date the 11th of Feb., 167$\frac{7}{8}$, to which reference is here made, this being the just half of what was mentioned in the patent of Hend. Marcelis, of date the 11th of May, 1667, the other half, being the rear, was sold to Volkie Van Hoese, and that free and unencumbered, with no claim standing nor issuing against it (excepting the lord's right), and without the grantor's making the least pretension to it any more; acknowledging that he is fully paid and satisfied therefor, the first penny with the last, and therefore giving *plenam actionem cessam*, and full power to the aforesaid David Schuyler and Lawrence Van Ale, their heirs and successors, or those who may hereafter receive his right or title, to do with and dispose of the aforesaid lot as they might do with their own patrimonial estates and effects; promising the aforesaid lot to defend against all persons, and to free it from all trouble, claims and charges which may hereafter arise, and never more to do nor suffer anything to be done against the same, either with or without law, in any manner whatsoever, under obligation as provided therefor by law.

Done in Albany, the 22d Feb., 167$\frac{7}{8}$.

PAULUS MARTENSE.

Rich'd Pretty.
A. Teller.

In my presence,

RO. LIVINGSTON, Secr.

Appeared before me Ro. Livingston, secr., etc., and in the presence of the honorable Messieurs Dirk Wessels and A. Teller, commissaries, etc., Jan Janse Bleecker and Jacob Sanderse Glen, attorneys for Jan Heyndrix Van Baei, who declared that they had granted, conveyed and transferred to and for the behoof of Paulus Martense [Van Benthuysen], Raemmaker, a certain lot lying without the town of Albany, by the gate where the court house stands,[1] bounding on the north the garden of Harme Bastianese [Visscher], to the south the common way to the shore [Division street], to the east of the highway [Broadway], in breadth five rods and three and a half feet, length to the river path,[2] which the grantors do by virtue of a patent granted to Van Baei by the late governor general, Richard Nicolls, of date the 20th of April, 1677, all as it lies in fence, free and unencumbered, with no claim standing or lying against the same (excepting the lord's right), and without the grantors' making the least pretension to it any more; acknowledging that they are fully paid and satisfied therefor, the first penny with the last, and therefore giving *plenam actionem cessam*, and full power to the aforesaid Paulus Martense, his heirs and successors, or those who hereafter may acquire his right and title, to do with and dispose of the same as he might do with his own patrimonial estate and effects; promising the said lot to defend against all persons, and to free it from all trouble, claims or charges which may hereafter arise, and never more to do nor suffer anything to be done against the same, either with or without law, in any manner whatsoever, under obligation as provided therefor according to law.

Done in Albany, the 25th of Feb., 1677.

JAN JANSE BLEECKER.
JACOB SANDERSE GLEN.

A. Teller.
Dirck Wessels.

In my presence,

RO. LIVINGSTON, Secr.

Appeared before me Ro. Livingston, secr., etc., and in the presence of of the honorable Messieurs Richard Pretty and Andries Teller, commissaries, etc., Annetie Lievens, widow of Goose Gerritse [Van Schaick], deceased, who declared that she had in true rights, free ownership, given and presented to and for the behoof of Gerrit Van Schaick,[3] in a certain house and lot standing and lying without the town of Albany, on the Third kil [Fox creek], bounded north and west by the lot of Gerrit Reyerse,[4] south and east by the public highway, being six rods in length and in breadth four rods;[5] all which she, by these presents, grants, con-

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[1] The court house stood on the east corner of Hudson street and Broadway, just inside the stockades.

[2] This lot of Van Baei, probably a garden, was on the east corner of Division street and Broadway.

[3] Gerrit Van Schaick was the eldest son of Goosen Gerritse Van Schaick, the first settler. He married Alida Van Slichtenhorst, daughter of Barent Arentse Van Slichtenhorst, and died 21 Nov., 1679. His widow afterwards married Pieter Davidse Schuyler, whom she survived.

[4] Gerrit Reyerse came from Utrecht, and was in Beverwyck as early as 1656. In 1665 he married Annetie Janse, of Amsterdam, in New York, and in his will, made [illegible], he mentions five children then living. He was a trader, and in 1661 and 1662 made two voyages to Patria. His two logs of these voyages are still preserved. His descendants gave to the name of Gerritsen.

[5] This lot was on the north corner of Broadway and Columbia street.

veys and transfers to Gerrit Van Schayk aforesaid, by virtue of a patent granted her late husband by the late governor general, Rich. Nicolls, of date the 25th of April, 1667, to which reference is here made, and that free and unencumbered, with no claim standing or issuing against the same (excepting the lord's (*heer zyn*) right), and without the grantor's making the least pretension thereto any more; acknowledging that she has given and presented the aforesaid house and lot to Gerrit Shayk aforenamed, and therefore giving *plenam actionem cessam*, and full power to Gerrit Van Shayk, his heirs and successors, or those who may hereafter receive his right and title, to do with and dispose of the aforesaid house and lot as he might do with his patrimonial estate and effects; promising the same to defend against all persons, and to free it from all trouble, claims and charges; and further, never more to do nor suffer anything to be done against the same, either with or without the laws, in any manner whatsoever, under obligation as provided therefor according to law.

Done in Albany, the 4th of March, 167$\frac{7}{8}$.

ANNETGE LIEVENS.

Rich'd Pretty,
A. Teller.

In my presence,

RO. LIVINGSTON, Secr.

Appeared before me Ro. Livingston, secr., etc., and in the presence of the honorable Messieurs Rich. Pretty and Ands. Teller, commissaries, etc., Cornelis Cornelise Van der Hoeve, who declared that he had in true rights, free ownership, granted, conveyed and transferred to and for the behoof of Arent Jacobse, in his house and lot standing and lying here in Albany, between the houses of Mr. William Loveridge, hat maker, and Jacob Staes, with all that is thereon, fast by earth and nailed; in breadth in front on the street four and twenty wood feet, length five and fifty feet, and breadth in the rear 8 feet, all as it lies inclosed in fence, which he, the grantor, does by virtue of a conveyance made to him by Marte Hoffman, of date the 30th December, 1676, and that free and unencumbered, with no claim standing or issuing against the same (excepting the lord's right), and without the grantor's making the least pretension to the same any more; acknowledging that he is fully paid and satisfied therefor, the first penny with the last, and therefore giving *plenam actionem cessam*, and full power to the aforenamed Arent Jacobse, his heirs and successors, or those who may hereafter acquire his right and title, to do with and dispose of the aforesaid house and lot as he might do with his own patrimonial estate and effects; promising to defend the same against all persons, and to free it from all troubles, claims and charges which are lawful; and further, never more to do nor suffer anything to be done against the same, either with or without law, in any manner whatsoever, under obligation as provided therefor by law.

Done in Albany, the 4th of March, 167$\frac{7}{8}$.

CORNELIS KORNELISSEN VAN DER HOEVE.

A. Teller.

In my presence,

ROT. LIVINGSTON, Secr.

Appeared before me, Ro^t. Livingston, secr., etc., and in the presence of the afternamed witnesses, Annetie Lievens, widow of the late Goose Gerritse [Van Schaick], of the one side, and Zybrant Van Shayk [1] of the other side, who declared that they have in amity and friendship agreed and made a bargain with each other in manner following, namely: Annetie Lievens acknowledges that she has sold, and Zybrant Van Shayk that he has bought, the grantor's half of a certain brewery, lot and garden, with all the rights of the same, kettles, tubs, etc.,[2] at present possessed by Pieter Lassing, who owns the other half; he, the buyer, taking upon himself all the debts and credits which exist at this time, so that the seller is at once released therefrom, as well from the income as the receipts; the aforesaid half brewery shall be delivered to the buyer at once; for which Zybrant Goosens aforesaid promises to pay the number of one hundred good whole merchantable beaver skins, in two payments, the first on the first day of August this year, the quantity of sixty beavers, and the second payment on the first of August, 1679, the remaining forty beavers; the seller shall be holden after the second payment to give a perfect conveyance, with all the rights of the same, just as it was conveyed to her late husband by Harme Rutgers (excepting the lord's right); all that is stated above the contracting parties shall surely and truly keep.

Thus done without craft or guile, in the presence of Mr. Andries Teller and Mr. Dirk Wessels, commissaries of this town of Albany, on this 5th of March, 167$\frac{7}{8}$.

ANNETGE LIEVENS.
SYBRANT VAN SCHAICK.

A. Teller.
Dirck Wessels [*Ten Broeck*].

In my presence,
ROT. LIVINGSTON, Secr.

Appeared before me Ro. Livingston, secr., etc., and in the presence of the honorable Messieurs Richard Pretty and Andries Teller, commissaries, etc., Arent Jacobse, who declared that he had in true rights, free ownership, granted, conveyed and transferred, to and for the behoof of William Loveridge, Senr., hatter, in his house and lot standing and lying here in Albany, between the houses of said William Loveridge and Jacob Staes, with all that is therein fast by earth and nailed; in breadth in front on the street four and twenty wood feet, length to the rear fifty-five feet, where the breadth is eight feet, all as it now lies inclosed in fence; which he, the grantor, does by virtue of a conveyance received by him from Cornelis Cornelise Van der Hoeven, of date the 4th of March of the year 167$\frac{7}{8}$, and that free and unencumbered, with no claim standing or issuing against the same (excepting the lord's right), and without the grantor's making the least pretension to it any more; acknowledging that he is fully paid and satisfied therefor, the first penny with the last, and therefore giving *plenam actionem cessam*, and full power to the afore-

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[1] Sybrant Van Schaick was son of Goosen Gerritse Van Schaick. He married Elizabeth Van der Poel, who, after his death, in 1686, contracted marriage with Bennony Van Curler. At that time she had four children by her first husband. In 1735 the above brewery was owned by Sybrant (Antonissen?) Van Schaick.

[2] This brewery stood upon the east half of the present Exchange block, and remained in possession of the Van Schaick family to 1735 or later.

named William Loveridge, Senr., his heirs and successors, or those who may hereafter acquire his right and title, to do with and dispose of the aforesaid house and lot as he might do with his own patrimonial estate and effects; promising to defend the same against all persons, and to free it from all trouble, claims and charges which are lawful; and further, never more to do nor suffer anything to be done against the same, either with or without law, in any manner whatsoever, under obligation as provided therefor by law.

Done in Albany, this 8th of March, 167$\frac{7}{8}$.

ARENDT JACOBSEN.

A. Teller.

In my presence,

ROBT. LIVINGSTON, Secr.

Appeared before me Robt. Livingston, secr., etc., and in the presence of the honorable Messieurs Philip Schuyler and Richard Pretty, commissaries, etc., Dirkie de Weevers, wife of Jan Martense [Weever or de Weever], who acknowledged that she is well and truly indebted, and in arrears, to Jacob Lokermans in the sum of eight hundred and twenty-six guilders and twelve stuivers in beavers, growing out of the matter of moneys paid, and goods to her content received; which aforesaid eight hundred and twenty-six guilders, twelve stuivers in beavers, the mortgagor to Jacob Lookermans, or his order, promises to pay in good merchantable winter wheat, at five schepels [1] the beaver; to pay it in the space of one year, beginning from this date, with yearly interest at 10 per cent; pledging therefor specially her bouwery, with house and barn, lying at Kinderhoek, with horses and cattle belonging thereto, and generally her person and estate, personal and real, present and future, nothing excepted, submitting the same to the force of all magistrates, courts, laws and judges, to promote payment in due time, if need be, without cost and loss.

Done in Albany, the 8th of May, 1678.

DERCKIEN HERMENS.

Philip Schuyler.
Rich'd Pretty.

Acknowledged before me,

ROT. LIVINGSTON, Secr.

Appeared before me Ro. Livingston, secr., etc., and in the presence of the afternamed witnesses, Capt. Jan Cloete, on the one side, and Jan Conell and Gerrit Teunisse [Van Vechten],[1] of the other side, who declared that they had in amity and friendship made a bargain with each other in regard to his, Jan Cloete's, claim and right which he has in Catskil, viz: *First.*—Jan Cloet acknowledges that he has sold, and Jan Conell and Gerrit Teunise that they have bought his, Jan Cloet's, claim and right which he has in Catskil, being the half of the land that the Indians own, he having a mortgage thereon, of date the 15th of January, 167$\frac{4}{5}$, to which reference is here made; for which claim they, the buyers, promise to pay the quantity of one hundred beaver skins, to wit, twenty-

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[1] A schepel was about three pecks English.

[1] Gerrit Teunise Van Vechten had two sons, Johannes, by his first wife, Antje Janse, and Volkert, by his second wife, Grietje Volkertse Douw. He made his will 8 March, 1680-1.

five beavers this summer, and the remaining seventy-five beavers in the space of six years next coming, each year a sixth part, well understanding that if the Indians who gave him the mortgage pay him this summer, then this sale shall be null and of no effect; about which the contracting parties are well content, pledging therefor their respective persons and estates, personal and real, present and future, for the performance of the above agreement.

Done in Albany, without craft or guile, this 2d of April, 1678.

JOHANNES CLUTE.
JOHN CONELL.
This is the mark * of GERRIT TEUNISE.

Testes:
Arnout Cor. Viele.
William Loveridge, Junr.

In my presence,
RO. LIVINGSTON, Secr.

Appeared before me Rot. Livingston, secr., etc., and in the presence of the honorable Messieurs Rich. Pretty and Ands. Teller, commissaries, etc., Hendrick Meese Vrooman,[1] who acknowledged that he is well and truly indebted, and in arrears, to Robert Sanders, in the sum of seventy-seven guilders and fourteen stuivers beavers, and four hundred and forty-seven guilders and fourteen stuivers in seawant, and a hundred and nine schepels of good winter wheat, growing out of goods received to his content, an obligation hereof having passed, of date the 9th of June, 1676, which is herewith destroyed; which aforesaid seventy-seven guilders 14 stuivers in beavers, four hundred and forty-seven guilders 14 stuivers seewant, and one hundred and nine schepels of wheat the mortgagor promises to pay before the first of June next coming, in wheat, at five schepels, and peas at six schepels the beavers, and failing in payment he shall be holden to pay as interest, for the whole sum twenty-one schepels of wheat, yearly, commencing on the first of June, 1678; pledging therefor his house and barn standing and lying in the south end of the village of Schenectady,[2] and generally his person and estate, personal and real, present and future, nothing excepted, submitting the same to the force of all magistrates, courts, laws and judges.

Thus done, without craft or guile, in Albany, this 4th of April, 1678.

HEINDERICK MEESEN VROOMAN.

Rich'd Pretty.
A. Teller.

Acknowledged before me,
RO. LIVINGSTON, Secr.

Appeared before me Robt. Livingston, secr., etc., and in the presence of the afternamed witnesses, Harme Gansevoort, of the one side, and Jan Conell of the other side, who declared that they had, in amity and

[1] Hendrik Meese Vrooman was one of the three brothers who settled early in Albany. He was among the earliest inhabitants of Schenectady, where he was killed Feb. 9, 1690, at the sack of the town. His son Bartholomew was killed in Saratoga the same year, by the Indians. His other sons, Adam and Jan, lived in Schenectady, and had large families.

[2] His lot was on the north side of State street, Schenectady, and extended from Centre street to the New York Central rail road depot, which covers a portion of his ground.

friendship, covenanted and agreed with each other in relation to the sale of his, Harme Gansevoort's bouwery at Catskil, as follows: *Firstly.*—Harme Gansevoort acknowledges that he has sold, and Jan Conell that he has bought of him, the aforesaid bouwery of Harme Gansevoort, lying at Catskil, with all its appendages, the superstructure, house, fences, etc., except a new barn that is now built, and the horses, cattle, etc., he not being holden to deliver anything but the land and what belongs thereto. The seller shall make the delivery on the 2d of Nov., 1678, and after the last payment he is to give a perfect conveyance. For which bouwery and the rights of the same, the aforenamed Jan Conell promises to pay to the aforesaid Harme Gansevoort the number of two hundred merchantable beaver skins, to wit, five and twenty beavers in the space of eight days, and the remaining one hundred and seventy-five beavers within the six following years, in each a just sixth part; wherewith the contracting parties are well content.

Done in Albany, without craft or guile, the 20th of April, 1678.

HARMEN GANSEVORT.
JOHN CONELL.

Jan Cornelise Roodt.
This is the mark + of Jacobus de Brower.

In my presence,
R. LIVINGSTON, Secr.

[Note in the margin of the above paper.] The 22d of Nov., 1679, H. Gansevoort acknowledges that he has received of J. Conell, on an accounting, for the bouwery, four and fifty beavers and one crown.

Appeared before me R. Livingston, secr., etc., and in the presence of the afternamed witnesses, Harme Gansevoort of the one side, and William Jochemse ——— of the other side, who declared that they had in amity and friendship covenanted and agreed with each other in relation to the sale of the sowed land at Catskil, on his, Harme's, bouwery, which he has this day sold to Jan Conell, as follows: *Firstly.*—Harme, aforesaid, acknowledges that he has sold, and William Jochemse that he has bought, 40 schepels of good sowed winter wheat on his, the aforesaid Harme Gansevoort's, bowery at Catskill, and that for the sum of forty good merchantable beaver skins, to be paid, the first half, being 20 beavers, in December coming, and the other half next March, 1679, on condition that Harme Gansevoort at once relinquishes the aforesaid bouwery, which herewith he does, making a complete resignation of the sowed land there, and delivering the same to the aforesaid Willem Jochemse, to be used for his profit; about which the contracting parties are well content.

Done in Albany, without craft or guile, on this 20th of April, 1678.

HARMEN GANSEVOORT.
WILLEM JOCHEMSEN.

Testes:
Dirck Albertse Brat.
Jacob Theysen. (?)

In my presence,
ROT. LIVINGSTON, Secr.

[Note in the margin of the above paper.] On this, the 22d of November, 1679, Harme Gansevoort acknowledges that he is at once paid

and satisfied for the sowed land at Catskil, being forty beavers; in acknowledgment of which he has signed this with his own hand.

Dated *ut supra.*

HARMEN GANSEVOORT.

Acknowledged before me.

ROT. LIVINGSTON, Secr.

Appeared before me Rot. Livingston, secr., etc., Claes Willemse Van Coppernoll,[1] of the one side, and Jan Conell, of the other side, who declared that they had in amity and friendship covenanted with each other in form and manner following: *Firstly.*— Claes Willemse acknowledges that he has let himself and his wife, and Jan Conell that he has hired them for the space of a whole year, commencing with the 18th of June, 1678, and ending with the 18th of June, 1679, to be his farm superintendent (*bouwmeester*), on his bouwery at Catskil, and his wife to do such other services as may be there needful; and that for the sum of two and forty good merchantable beaver's skins [$134.40], one-half to be paid the next winter in wheat, at market price, and the other half at the end of his term of service in beavers; his wife shall be furnished with soap to wash for herself and others on the bouwery [and said Claes and his wife], promise to serve Jan Conell faithfully, in all proper services, according to the bounden duty of a servant to a master; with which the contracting parties are well content; thereto pledging their respective and estates, personal and real, present and future, nothing excepted, and submitting the same to the force of all magistrates, courts and laws.

Done in Albany, without craft or guile, this 30th of May, 1678.

KLAES WILLEMSE.
JOHN CONELL.

Testes:
Wm. Parker.
William Loveridge, Junr.

In my presence,

RO. LIVINGSTON, Secr.

Appeared before me Rot. Livingston, secr., etc., and in the presence of the honorable magistrates Mr. Rich. Pretty and Mr. Jan Thomase [Mingael], commissaries, etc., a certain Mahikander Indian, called by Christians Knaep, and by the Indians Paantachtnatt, who (being commissioned by his aunt, named Paunichkam), declared that he was full paid and satisfied by Mr. Dirck Wessells [Ten Broeck], and Mr. Cornelis Van Dyck, citizens of this town, for their right and title to a certain piece of land lying on the east side of the Hudson river, behind Jan Ooms, about five English miles off from the shore, being a swale [*vly*] named by the Indians Taxkichenok, extending to or bounding upon a certain piece of wood land named Tamschenakassik, and also another piece of land named Kekantik, having been heretofore maize land, and stretching to the river; all of which aforesaid land, as well the swale as the other two pieces of

[1] Claes Willemse Van Coppernol, in 1679, hired a bouwery of William Teller, at Schenectady, and soon after obtained a patent in connection with Pieter Van Olinda, for a parcel of land on the south bank of the Mohawk river, 15 miles west of Schenectady, at a place called de Willegen. He married a Mohawk woman named Lea, who, after his death, married, about 1702, Jonathan Stevens of Schenectady.

wood land, together with the kils, creeks, woods, and the rights to the same, he, Knaep, and his aunt aforesaid, he for her, transfer, grant and convey to Mr. D. Wessells and Mr. Cornelis Van Dyck, with all their title and ownership therein, which they, the late proprietors, possessed, resigning and giving a perfect release, by these presents, for them and for their heirs, of the claims which they had therein, to and for the behoof of the aforesaid Mons. Dirk Wessells and Mr. Corn. Van Dyk, their heirs and successors, or those who may hereafter receive their right and title, to do with and dispose of the aforesaid land, and the appendances and dependences of the same, as well the swale as the two other pieces of wood land that belong thereto, as well the kils and creeks as other things, as they might do with their own patrimonial estates and effects; promising the same to defend against all persons, and to free them from all trouble, claims or charges which may hereafter arise, and never more to do nor suffer anything to be done against the same, either with or without law, in any manner whatsoever, under obligation as provided therefor according to law, their honors [the commissaries], herewith granting consent to solicit a patent of the right honorable, the governor general.

Thus done in Albany, being interpreted by Arnout Corn. Viele, in presence of a certain Mahikander named Thamokenik, on this the 11th day of June, 1678.

This is the mark of KNAEP, with his own hand set.

This is the mark of THAMOKENIK, with his own hand set.

Witness:
Richard Pretty.
Jan Thomase.
Arnout Cor. Viele, interpreter.

Acknowledged before me,

RO. LIVINGSTON, Secr.

Appeared before me Ro. Livingston, secr., etc., and in the presence of the honorable magistrates, Mr. Rich. Pretty and Mr. Dirk Wessells, commissaries, etc., Jan Thomase [Mingael], who declared that he had in true rights, free ownership, granted, conveyed and transferred, in real and actual possession, to and for the behoof of Johannes De Wandelaer,[1] burgher of this town, in a certain house and lot standing and lying here in Albany, on the hill, on the corner of Bergh [now Chapel] street, where Johannes [Wandelaer] aforesaid at present dwells; in breadth in front on the street [now State], to the south two rods three and a half inches, and breadth in the rear two rods and three inches, length to the west on the Bergh street three rods and a half, and on the east side on

[1] Johannes De Wandelaer was from Leyden; in 1672 he married Sara Schepmoes in New York, and took up his residence in Albany. In his will, made in 1705, he mentions eight children then living. His wife was probably then deceased. In 1702, he is called "merchant of New York" (*Deeds*, iv). In 1711 and 1714 a Johannes De Wandelaer, perhaps his son, owned the west corner of Maiden lane and Broadway.—*Albany Annals*, vi, 251.

[Jacob Janse] Schermerhooren four rods and one foot,[1] which he, the grantor, does by virtue of a conveyance given him by the honorable the commissaries, of date the {29 May, 8 June,}, 1668, being lot 5, granted him in consideration for a certain lot which the court received from him, the grantor, by way of exchange, giving consent also to solicit a patent from the right honorable the governor general; [said lot] being free and unencumbered, with no claim standing or issuing against the same (excepting the lord's right), and without the grantor's making the least pretension to it any more; acknowledging that he is fully paid and satisfied therefor, the first penny with the last, and therefore giving *plenam actionem cessam*, and full power to the aforesaid Johannes De Wandelaer, his heirs and successors, to do with and dispose of the same as he might do with his own patrimonial estate and effects; promising never more to do nor suffer anything to be done against the same, in any manner whatsoever, either with or without law, under obligation as provided therefor according to law.

Done in Albany, the 13th of June, 1678.

JAN THOMASE.

Rich'd Pretty.
Dirck Wessels.

Acknowledged before me,

ROT. LIVINGSTON, Secr.

Appeared before me Ro. Livingston, secr., etc., and in presence of the honorable magistrates, Mr. Richard Pretty and Mr. Dirk Wessells, commissaries, etc., Sweer Teunise [Van Velsen], citizen of Schenectady, who declared that he had in true rights, free ownership, granted, conveyed and transferred to and for the behoof of Wouter Aerse Raemmaker,[2] in a certain lot lying without the town of Albany, by Gerrit Ryersen's, where his, the grantor's, house stood, now lately taken down and carried to Schaenhechtady; in breadth on the east side against the road [Broadway], nine rods [108 feet Ryn.], to the west, in the rear, eight rods and a half [102 feet Ryn.],[3] to the north against the cart road [Van Tromp street], eight rods, nine feet and a half [105½ feet Ryn.], Rynland measure; which he, the grantor, does by virtue of a patent granted him by the right honorable the governor general, Rich'd Nicolls, deceased, of date the 15th of April, 1667, to which reference is here made, and that free and unencumbered, with no claim standing or issuing against the same, excepting the lord's right, and without the grantor's making the least pretension any more to it; acknowledging that he is fully paid and satisfied therefor, the first penny with the last, and therefore giving *plenam actionem cessam*, and full power to the aforesaid Wouter Aerse Raemmaker, his heirs and successors, or those who may hereafter acquire his right and title, to do with and to dispose of the aforesaid lot as he might do with his other patrimonial estate and effects; promising to defend the same against all persons, and to free it from all trouble, claims and charges which may hereafter arise, and never more to do nor suffer

[1] This lot was on the east corner of State and Chapel streets, the rods mentioned were Rhynland rods, of twelve feet each; each foot containing about 12.36 English inches.

[2] Sashmaker.

[3] This lot was north of the town's stockadoes, on the west corner of Broadway and Van Tromp street, Gerrit Ryerse's lot lying to the south.

anything to be done against the same, either with or without law, in any manner whatsoever, under obligation as provided therefor according to law.

Done in Albany, the 12th of June, 1678.

SWEER THOONUSSEN.

Acknowledged before me,

RO. LIVINGSTON, Secr.

Appeared before me Ro. Livingston, secr., etc., and in the presence of the honorable magistrates, Mr. Rich'd Pretty and Mr. Dirk Wessells [Ten Broeck], commissaries, etc., Jan Thomase [Mingael], who declared that in true rights, free ownership, he had granted, conveyed and transferred, to and for the behoof of Ryer Jacobse Schermerhooren,[1] husband and guardian of Ariaantje Arentse [Brat], late widow of Elmer Otte, deceased, in a certain lot lying here in Albany, on the hill, upon which at present the house of Dom. Nic. Van Rensselaer and the house of Jan Witthardt stand, being in breadth in front to the south, on the street, three rods eight feet and six inches [44½ ft.], and to the north three rods three feet six inches [39½ ft.], in length to the west on the hill, five rods and eleven feet [71 ft.], and to the east on the street, six rods and one foot [73 ft.];[2] which he, the grantor, does by virtue of a patent given him by the late governor general, Rich. Nicolls, deceased, of date the 29th of April, 1667, and that free and unencumbered, with no claim standing or issuing against the same (excepting the lord's right) and without the grantor's making the least pretensions any more to it; acknowledging that he is fully paid and satisfied therefor, the first penny with the last, and therefore giving *plenam actionem cessam*, and full power to the aforesaid Ryer Jacobse Schermerhooren, his heirs and successors, or those who may hereafter acquire his title and right, to do with and dispose of the aforesaid lot as he might do with his other patrimonial estate and effects; promising the same to defend against all persons, and to free it from every trouble, claim or charge which may hereafter arise, and never more to do nor suffer anything to be done against the same, with or without law, in any manner whatsoever, under obligation as provided therefor according to law.

Done in Albany, this 13th of June, 1678.

JAN THOMASE.

Richard Pretty.
A. Teller.

Acknowledged before me,

RO. LIVINGSTON, Secr.

Appeared before me Ro. Livingston, secr., etc., and in the presence of the honorable magistrates, Mr. Richard Pretty and Mr. A. Teller, commissaries, etc., the Honorable Jan Thomase [Mingael], who declared that he had, in true rights, free ownership, granted, conveyed and transferred

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[1] Ryer Jacobse Schermerhooren, son of Jacob Janse Schermerhooren, and one of the early settlers of Schenectady. For many years he was the sole surviving patentee of the town, managing all its affairs in his own name. He married Ariaantje Arentse Brat, widow of Helmer Otten, and occupied his farm at Schenectady, a portion of which is still held by his descendants. He left a large family, and a handsome property for the times.

[2] This lot was on the north corner of North Pearl and State streets.

to and for the behoof of Mr. Cornelis Steenwyk, merchant of New York, in a certain house and lot standing and lying here in Albany, on the Yonker [State] street, in which Hamburge at present dwells; bounded south and west by the public streets, north by the house and lot of Mr. Timo. Cooper, and east by the house of Hieronimus Wendell, in breadth, in front on the street, to the south, two rods six feet, two inches, breadth in the rear, two rods and three feet, length to the east, five rods ten feet and four inches, and to the west, on the street, five rods and nine feet Rynland measure; [1] which he, the grantor, does by virtue of a patent which came to him from the right honorable the governor general, Richard Nicolls, of date the 29th of April, 1667, to which reference is here made; and that free and unencumbered, with no claim standing or issuing against the same (excepting the lord's right), and without the grantor's making the least pretension to it any more; acknowledging that he is fully paid and satisfied therefor, the first penny with the last, and therefore giving *plenam actionem cessam*, and full power to the aforesaid Mr. Cornelis Steenwyk, his heirs and successors, or those who may hereafter acquire his right and title, to do with and dispose of the aforesaid house and lot as he might do with his own patrimonial estate and effects; promising the same to defend against all persons, and to free it from every trouble, claim and charge which which may hereafter arise, and never more to do nor suffer anything to be done against the same, in any manner whatsoever, under obligation as provided therefor according to law.

Done in Albany, the 14th of June, 1678.

JAN THOMASE.

Rich'd Pretty.
A. Teller.

Acknowledged before me,

ROT. LIVINGSTON, Secr.

Appeared before me Ro. Livingston, secr., etc., and in presence of the honorable magistrates, Mr. Philip Schuyler and Mr. Richard Pretty, commissaries, etc., Jacob Abrahamse Cuyper, who declared that he had in true rights, free ownership, granted, conveyed and transferred to and for the behoof of Jan Cornelise Vyselaer, alias Gow, in a certain house and lot standing and lying here in Albany; bounding to the south and west upon Jochem Ketelheyn's, to the north on the house of the aforesaid Jan Gow, to the east on the public street, length three rods nine feet seven inches, and in breadth one rod eight feet and one inch; which he, the grantor, does by virtue of a patent which came to him from the late governor general, Rich'd Nicolls, of date the 22d of May, 1667, to which reference is here made, and that free and unencumbered, with no claim standing or issuing against the same (excepting the lord's right), and without the grantor's making the least pretensions to the same any more; acknowledging that he is fully paid and satisfied therefor, the first penny with the last, and therefore giving *plenam actionem cessam*, and full power to the aforesaid Jan Cornelise Vyselaer, to do with or to dispose of the same as he might do with his own patrimonial estate and effects; pro-

[1] This lot was on the east corner of North Pearl and State streets.

mising the same to defend against every person, and to free the same from every trouble, claim or charge which may hereafter arise, and never more to do nor suffer anything to be done against the same, in any manner whatsoever, under obligation as provided therefor by law.

Done in Albany, the 20th of June, 1678.

JACOB ABRAHAMSEN.

Philip Schuyler.
Richard Pretty.

Acknowledged before me,

ROT. LIVINGSTON, Secr.

Appeared before me Rot. Livingston, secr., etc., and in presence of the honorable magistrates, Mr. Richard Pretty and Mr. Ands. Teller, commissaries, etc., Jan Cornelise Vyselaer, alias Gow, who declared that he had in true rights, free ownership, granted, conveyed and transferred to and for the behoof of Jan Andriese Douw,[1] in a certain house and lot standing and lying here in Albany; bounding to the south and west Jochim Ketelhuyn's, to the north the house of the aforesaid Gow, and to the east the public street, in length three rods nine feet seven inches, and in breadth one rod eight feet one inch; with the reservation that the alley between this house and the house of Jan Gow, shall remain in common, it being fifteen and a half feet wide, and in length to the rear of said Gow's house; which he, the grantor, does by virtue of a conveyance received by him to-day from Jacob Abrahamse, to which reference is here made; and that free and unencumbered, with no claim standing or issuing against the same (excepting the lord's right), and without the grantor's making the least pretension to it any more; acknowledging that he is fully paid and satisfied therefor, the first penny with the last, and therefore giving *plenam actionem cessam*, and full power to the aforesaid Jan Andriese Douw, his heirs and successors, or those who may hereafter acquire his right and title, to do with and dispose of the same as he might do with his own patrimonial estate and effects; promising the same to defend against all persons, and to free it from every trouble, claim and charge which are lawful, and never more to do nor to suffer anything to be done against the same, in any manner whatsoever, under obligation as provided therefor according to law.

Done in Albany, the 20th of June, 1678.

This is the mark -|- of JAN CORN. VYSELAER,
with his own hand set.

Rich'd Pretty.
A. Teller.

Acknowledged before me,

RO. LIVINGSTON, Secr.

[END OF VOL. I OF DEEDS.]

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[1] Jan Andries Douw may have been related to Volkert Janse Douw; if so, the relationship does not appear. He had two children baptized in Albany in 1681-9, and three, 1691-6, in New York, where, perhaps, he became a permanent resident.

[VOLUME II.]

On this nineteenth day of August, of the year after the birth of our Lord and Saviour, Jesus Christ, sixteen hundred and fifty-four, in the forenoon, appeared before me Johannes Dyckman,[1] in the service of the privileged West India Company, clerk [*commys*], and vice director of Fort Orange, Honorable Jan Labatie, burgher in Beverwyck, and declared (*getiede*) that he had granted, transferred and conveyed to the Honorable Mr. Paulo Schrick,[2] merchant, his certain lot lying in the Manathans, in New Amsterdam, lying between skipper Willem Thomasse and Isaak de Foreest, the patent of which is in the custody of Karel Van Brugge; that he may sell said lot, or cause it to be sold and conveyed by some other person, and release to execute, as if he, Labatie, were himself in his own person present, with power to do all such things as appertain to the same; the money to collect, or cause to be collected, demanded and received; also, the same to keep together with the former sums; and these receipts, and the whole amount which shall come from the sale of the lot, shall be used to lessen all such sums of money as the aforesaid Mr. Paulo Schrick is to receive from said Labatie.

In witness whereof, this was signed with his own hand, in Fort Orange, of the date aforesaid.

JAN LABATIE.

Which I affirm was so executed.

JOANNES DYCKMAN.

On this, the twentieth day of August, in the year of our Lord sixteen hundred and fifty-four, in the forenoon, appeared before me Joannes Dyckman, in the service, etc., the Honorable Paulus Schrick, merchant, and declared that he had appointed and empowered, as by these presents he does appoint and empower, the Reverend Dominus Gideon Schaets and the Honorable Jan Verbeeck, commissary of the honorable court here, in his, the subscriber's name, and for his sake, to demand, collect and receive all such sums of money as upon a settlement shall be coming to the honorable Mr. Schrick aforesaid from Jan Labatie and Hendrick Janse Westerkamp, for which they have in general pledged all their estates for the satisfying of the aforesaid payment, and specially Jan Labatie's house standing in the fort, with the garden thereto belonging, which he, Labatie, will permit to be sold at the time promised, the aforesaid, the honorable attorneys, taking good and needful care that everything is done which is needful to be done for the collecting of the moneys, besides at the proper time a settlement thereof to make; in like manner, also, with the house of Hendrick Janse Westerkamp, which was also mortgaged therefor, and in favor of which he, the subscriber, has acknowledged a bill of preference

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[1] Johannes Dyckman came to New Netherland as book-keeper, in 1651.—*Annals of Albany*, IV, 72. He had been first clerk to the chamber at Amsterdam, and sailed from Holland in April, 1651; went to Fort Orange as *commies* in the same year.—*New Netherland Register*. In 1655 he became deranged, and was superseded by Johannes De Decker.—*O'Callaghan's History of New Netherland*. His wife's name was Maria Bosyns.

[2] Paulus Schrick was a citizen of New Amsterdam.

(*acte van preferentie*) before the court; as before, also, an estimate to make (*te laten omslag*), and then to sell said house for the satisfying of the moneys due the subscriber from him,[1] * * * * * [wanting], and to acknowledge what their honors' [the attorneys,] substitutes shall do therein, provided they make a proper statement of the receipts *in forma*, all faithful and true.

These, by the subscriber, with his own hand signed, in Fort Orange, of date aforesaid, in presence of Mr. Johan de Hulter and Mr. Franz Barentse Pastoor, commissaries of this jurisdiction, and also subscribed by them, as witnesses for that purpose invited.

PAULUS SCHREEK.

As witnesses:
Johan de Hulter.
Frans Barentse Pastoor.

Which I attest,

JOANNES DYCKMAN.

I, the undersigned Jan Labatie, in accordance with the above written power of attorney, promise to give possession of the aforesaid house of mine, standing in the fort, altogether and immediately; also in conformity with the above power to permit their honors, the substitutes [for the above mentioned attorneys], whenever it is proper and serviceable, to sell, collect and pay such debts as I owe to Mr. Paulo Schrick, provided that after a settlement, what remains over, shall inure to my benefit.

Done in Fort Orange, this 20th of August, 1654.

JAN LABATIE.

As Jan Labatie has promised the above written, so will I, the undersigned, also promise the same, as I also do, for Westerkamp. *Datum ut supra.*

This is the mark of ——— + ALBERTSEN, in the name and for the sake of HENDRICK JANSE WESTERKAMP.

On this 21st day of August, 1654, appeared before me Joannes Dyckman, in the service of, etc., the honorable Wynant Gerritse Vander Poel (*kistemaker*),[2] cabinetmaker, and declared that he had agreed with Adrian Dirrickse De Vries, in regard to an exchange of certain lots, providing that Wynant Gerritse, to lessen the high price of his own lot, shall take down and set upon his own lot, the barn from the lot of Adrian Dirkse, and providing moreover that Adrian Dirkse shall receive and there be paid him by Wynant Gerritse, four beavers, with the understanding and for the greater security that mutual possession shall be had of the aforesaid lots, thus giving both parties power of perfecting the delivery of both lots, under a pledge of their respective persons and estates; real and personal, present and future, in accordance with the laws; and as an acknowledg-

[1] A small portion of the page is here wanting.
[2] Trunkmaker, joiner, cabinetmaker, etc.

ment of the truth, without craft or guile, the parties subscribe this with their own hands in Fort Orange, on the date above written.

WYNANT GERRITSE V. D. POEL.

This is the mark of ADRIAN ✠ DIRRICKSE DE VRIES, with his own hand set.

Which I attest,

JOANNES DYCKMAN.

On this the twenty-third day of August, in the year of our Lord 1654, appeared before me Joannes Dyckman, etc., the honorable Gysbert Philipse Velthuysen,[1] and declared that he had appointed and empowered, as he by these presents does, etc., the honorable Paulus Schrick of Repkouw (who proposes on the first ship to depart from this country to *patria*), in his, the subscriber's, name, and for his behalf, to demand, collect and receive in Holland all such sums of money as are coming to this subscriber from Cornelis Pieterse his father-in-law (*behout-vader*), dwelling at Velthuysen; with the aforesaid person to settle, liquidate and square accounts and the money of this subscriber on settlement of the accounts to receive, quittance therefor to give, and, further, to do all things therein as if the subscriber in his own person were present, yea, also, to do all those things that the matter specially demands.

Thus done without craft or guile in Fort Orange, in the presence of Mr. Jacob de Hinsse, chirurgeon, and Claas Hendrickse [Van Schoonhoven], carpenter, as witnesses hereto called and asked, and who have also signed these presents.

This is my own hand, GYSBERT PHILLIPSEN.

As witnesses:
J. De Hinsse.
Claes Hendryckse.

Which I attest,

JOANNES DYCKMAN.

Roeloff Jansen and Lammert Cornelise propose to sell the following goods on these conditions, to wit: That the payment for the purchased goods shall be made in good whole beavers, which payment shall be made within the space of four and twenty hours. * * * * *

Paulus Martense [Van Benthuysen], the sashmaker, a strong ax and a plane,	*f*	7.10
Three dishes, to Claes Bendingh,	*f*	2.00
Cornelis Teunise,	*f*	2.00
Claes Hendrickse [Van Schoonhoven], some chisels (*bytels*),	*f*	1.16
Meus the wheelwright, some chisels,	*f*	2.09
Gillis Douwesse Fonda, sundries (*alegaers*),	*f*	3.04
Jan Labatie, sundry articles,	*f*	4.00
Jan Labatie, some planes (*schaven*),	*f*	1.00
Gerrit Swart, an adz and sundries,	*f*	4.00

[1] Gysbert Philipse probably resided at Esopus. On 25 November, 1659, an order was granted at the request of Cornelis Wynkoop for the appointment of curators over his estate, left at Esopus, he having been murdered by the Indians.—*Dutch Manuscripts*, XVI, 202.

Hendrick Jochemse, an ax and adz,	*f*	2.14
Claes Hendrickse, some chisels,	*f*	2.12
Do. some chisels,	*f*	2.11
Gerrit Swart, some chisels,	*f*	2.10
Claas Bendigh, knife (*mes*),	*f*	4.02
Claes Hendrickse, a naildrawer (*de hamer*),	*f*	3.11
Claes Bendinck, an auger (*boer*),	*f*	2.11
Jacob Janse Flodder (*alias* Gardenier),	*f*	5.02
Claes Janse Van Rotterdam, chisels,	*f*	1.11
Abraham Craboat, a hammer,	*f*	1.14
Pieter Bronck, some chisels,	*f*	2.06
Claes Bendingh, some chisels,	*f*	2.14
Claes Hendrickse, some trumpery,	*f*	3.10
Gillis Douwese Fonda, some augers,	*f*	4.12
Jan Roeloffse, chisels,	*f*	5.03
Jacob Janse Flodder, a chest,	*f*	2.05
Dirrick Bensinck, a chest,	*f*	3.00
Abraham Craboat,	*f*	4.15
Daniel Rinckhout, a gun,	*f*	16.10
Hendrick Jochemse, a gun,	*f*	21.10
Abraham Craboat, a sword,	*f*	13.00
Jacob Janse Flodder, a tub of tobacco,	*f*	6.02
Paid,	*f*	140.04

Lammert Cornelise, his goods, of date the 23d of August:

Stoffel Janse [Abeel], sundries,	*f*	8.09
Claes Hendrickse, two slick chisels,	*f*	12.04
Claes Hendrickse,	*f*	4.18
Jacob Janse Flodder [Gardenier], some planes,	*f*	7.00
Claes Hendrickse, some planes,	*f*	3.05
Claes Bendingh, some planes,	*f*	2.14
Jan Roeloffse, some planes,	*f*	4.09
Jacob Janse Flodder, some trumpery,	*f*	3.00
Claes Hendrickse, some chissels,	*f*	3.07
Do. do.,	*f*	3.15
Jacob Janse Flodder, a square,	*f*	5.00
Jan Roeloffse, some trumpery,	*f*	1.13
Jacob Janse Flodder, some trumpery,	*f*	3.01
Claes Hendrickse, an ax,	*f*	9.00
Cornelis Theunisse, a coat,	*f*	38.00
Caspar Jacobse [Halenbeek], an ax and auger,	*f*	6.07
Abraham Craboat, some traps,	*f*	2.10
Teunis Teunisse [Metselaer],	*f*	8.00
Claes Hendrickse, a coat,	*f*	36.00
Gisbert Gysen, two cushions,	*f*	10.10
Jacob Janse Flodder, some clothes,	*f*	3.10
Celes (?), Houteweel,	*f*	11.05
Harmen de Metselaer, two straps (*riemen*),	*f*	8.00
Andries Herbertsen, a gun,	*f*	14.00
Jan Gouw, some knives,	*f*	2.10
Jan Dyckman,	*f*	7.05

Abraham Craboat, a coat,..... *f* 9.00
Jacob Janse Flodder, a coat,..... *f* 8.00
Jan Roeloffse, some trumpery, ... *f* 0.12

f 237.04

Jan Gouw offered for sale a gun, which makes 181 (18 ?) guilders in money.

Jan Gouw and Harmen Janse wish to sell a certain casket, inlaid with ebony and other woods, on the following conditions, to wit: That the payment shall be made in good whole beavers; which payment shall be made within twenty-four hours, without one hour longer delay, * * * Jacob Janse Flodder remained the buyer for thirty beavers and nineteen guilders.

JACOB JANSE FLODDER.

Also goods [belonging to] Jacob Tyssen [Van der Heyden].
Skipper Frederick, clothes,..... *f* 24.00
Jan Michielse [Van Edam],[1] a coat,..... *f* 14.06
Jan Dyckman, some cushions,..... *f* 7.10
Claes Hendrickse, some bells (?),..... *f* 4.05
Andries Herbertsen,..... *f* 7.05
Cornelis Theunisse, some bands (*beffen*),..... *f* 9.00
Abraham Craboat,..... *f* 16.00
Wynant Gerritse [V. D. Poel], a map,..... *f* 7.05
Jan Labatie,..... *f* 12.00
Jacob——,..... *f* 16.00
Cornelis Theunise, a chest,..... *f* 6.05
Jan Roeloffse, a gun,..... *f* 18.00
Wynant Gerritse, a coat,..... *f* 17.10
Jacob Janse Flodder,..... *f* 5.06
Willem Janse Schut, a coat,..... *f* 39.00
Jan Roeloffse, a sword,..... *f* 12.00

f 218.07

Harmen de Metselaer:
Jan Michielse, a coat,..... *f* 29.00
and Harmen offered for sale andirons, bevers,..... *f* 13.10
Caspar Jacobse [Halenbeck],..... *f* 23.10
cushions [or pillows] offered for sale,..... *f* 21.00
Jacob Theunisse,..... *f* 12.00

f 64.10

A gun, offered for sale,..... *f* 22.10
* * offered for sale,..... *f* 6.00
Michiel, the carpenter,..... paid *f* 21.00
Jacob Janse Flodder,..... *f* 250.00
Claes Hendrickse,..... *f* 275.00
Jacob Janse Flodder,..... *f* 324.00
also the casket offered for sale,..... 27 beavers.
Clothing is offered for sale,..... *f* 76.00

[1] See *Deeds*, I, 181.

Willem Janse Schut,.....*f* 25.16
A gun, Jan Roeloffse,.....*f* 12.00

Paid the 30th of August,.....*f* 37.16

On this the twenty-fourth day of August, 1654, in the forenoon, appeared before me Joannes Dyckman, in the service, etc., the honorable Mr. Francois Boon, husband and guardian of Elisabet Cornelise, late widow of Gysbert Cornelise [Van Wesp], deceased, assisted by the honorable Jacob Janse Schermerhoren, chosen and appointed guardian of the children, left by Gysbert Cornelise aforesaid, and declared that he was well and truly satisfied by the honorable Steven Janse [Coninck], in regard to the money in beavers for the house, bought by him at public sale, in the name of Jacob Hendrickse Maat, on the—— of this [month]; upon the first payment or installment there shall be a complete delivery of the aforesaid purchased house, and on payment of the last installment, he promises to deliver a proper deed thereof *in forma.*

In acknowledgment of the truth of which he has signed this with his own hand, in presence of Mr. Anthonius de Hooges, and the honorable Jan Verbeeck, commissaries of this honorable court, as witnesses for that purpose asked and called, who have also subscribed their names hereto.

FRANSCOOS BOON.

As witnesses,
Anthonius de Hooges.
Jan Verbeeck.
Which I attest,

JOANNES DYCKMAN.

Farming of the beer and wine excise, to commence from this date within this jurisdiction. Their honors the court here propose by these presents at public sale to farm out to the highest bidder the common and ordered tapsters' wine and beer excise, on the following conditions, to wit: *First.*—This farming shall begin on the date of these presents. The payment shall begin with the farming and be made in three terms or installments. The first installment, being a third part, shall be paid punctually within the time of three months; the second installment, also being a third part, three months thereafter; and the third installment, on the termination of the farming. Provided that the farmer of the excise understand that he shall be holden to furnish sureties to the content of this honorable court; and in case he does not furnish sureties, the farming shall again be offered at public sale, at his cost and charge. The payments shall be made in good current seewant. Provided that the wine and beer given in up to this day, be not comprehended in this farming, as the excise thereof has already been paid. Their honors of the court promise proper support to the farmer. Jacob Van Loosereght remained the farmer on the before mentioned conditions for the sum of thirteen hundred guilders.

JACOB HYNDRICKSE MAAT.

On the above written conditions we stand as sureties, and in case the principal does not pay, we ourselves will pay in his stead.

LAMBERT CORNELISSE.
CLAES JACOBSE VAN ROTTERDAM.

Which I attest,

JOANNES DYCKMAN.

I, the undersigned, Steven Janse [Coninck], offer myself as surety and principal for the person of Lammert Cornelise, who, on the 25th of this month (August?), stood surety for the farming, bid off by Jacob Hendrickse Maat, and to whom it was knocked off, and upon the above written conditions, I pledge myself, according to law.

Fort Orange, this 2nd of September, 1654.

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Claes Hendrickse [Van Schoonhoven], desires to sell on the following conditions an inlaid oaken cabinet,[1] lent out [pledged?] by Jacob Janse Flodder [*alias* Gardenier], to wit: that the buyer shall be holden to make payment to-morrow morning punctually, in good whole beavers. In case he fail to pay or furnish surety, it is understood that it shall again be sold at his cost and charge. The cabinet was sold on the above written conditions at public sale to the undersigned, for the sum of twenty-two beavers and ten guilders, in beavers.

PHILIP PIETERSE [SCHUYLER].

I, the subscriber, Jan Thomasse [Mingael], stand as surety,

Jan Tomase.

Claes Hendrickse [Van Schoonhoven] desires to sell on the above conditions some timber, bought by him yesterday, at the house of Pieter Bronck. Mr. Pieter Hartgerts was the buyer for the sum of three hundred and one guilders.

PIETER HARTGERS.

I acknowledge myself as surety for the above person,

Frans Barentse Pastoor.

Jacob Janse Schermerhoren desires also to sell on the aforesaid conditions an inlaid ebony and oak cabinet. The afore named cabinet was bought by me, the subscriber, for the sum of eighteen and a half beavers.

CORNELIS THONISSE.

As surety, *Hendrik Jochemse.*

Instructions for the farmer Jacob Hendrickse Maat, who yesterday bid off the farming of the tapsters' wine and beer excise, that he may regulate himself therein in all justice. *First.*—Jacob Hendrickse, or those whom he shall commission, shall have power to visit the tapsters' cellars, to guage the wine and beer, and note the guaging accordingly, as is fitting a public officer. The guaging being registered, he may from that time begin the duties of his office, and if he find that any one has concealed wine and beer, the civil officer shall be holden and pledge himself to

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[1] See page 10.

render him all needful assistance, either by day or night. The fines for smuggling shall go to him, provided that the officer shall receive a third part; in like manner with those who sell brandy to the Indians, in case they shall be apprehended and convicted, as is fitting. If any sloop or sloops (*jaghten*) come up here from Manathans, the manifest shall be examined, and an account taken of the wine and beer which comes up; and he shall address himself to the custom house officer, who receives the permit, and he shall make such examination, and make a faithful and proper search of the sloops.

26th Aug., 1654.

Mr. Abraham Staets will sell at public sale his house and lot, standing and lying in Fort Orange, to the south, bordering upon the passage way out from the gate of the fort, and to the north, the angle (*punt*) of said fort, together with a garden, bordering to the south of Mr. Adrian Ilpendam, to the north, Rem Jansen Smit, to the east, the Heer Renselaer, and to the west, a public highway, just as the aforesaid house and garden lie; under the following conditions, to wit: The payment must be made in good whole beavers, in three installments; the first, a just third part, punctually within the space of one month from this date, without any exception, within which time said house and garden also shall be accepted by the buyer upon the aforesaid conditions; the second installment, within one year; and the third and last installment the year after or within two years punctually. For the payment of which the buyer shall be holden to furnish a constant and sufficient security to the content of the seller. The auction fees shall become a charge to the buyer. And in case the buyer, as aforesaid, shall not furnish sufficient sureties, then the aforesaid house shall be offered again at public sale at his cost and charge, and whatever less it comes to be worth, he shall pay the same.

(Done this 27th October, 1655).

The buyer on the aforesaid conditions was Joannes Van Twiller, for the sum of twenty-three hundred and twenty-five guilders on the date aforesaid.

J. Van Twiller.

I offer myself as surety for Joannes Van Twiller for the purchase money of the aforesaid house.

J. B. Van Rensselaer.

Philip Pietersen [*Schuyler*].

Mr. Willem Beeckman [1] proposes on this, the 27th of August, 1654, to sell a certain bouwery lying at Manathans named the Backer's bouwery, as it at present lies, joining upon the bouwery of General Stuyvesant; with a dwelling house and barn (*bouwhuys*), also a dwelling standing thereon before this used as a brewery, according to the following conditions. *Firstly.*—The seller shall deliver therewith the cattle and draft oxen.

The payment therefor shall be made in three installments, to wit: the first, being the just third part, within one month; the second within

[1] William Beeckman was a citizen of New Amsterdam; for an account of him, see O'Callaghan's *History of New Netherland*, ii, 472.

six months thereafter, and the third and last within the following six months. The payment shall be made in good whole beavers. The auction fees the buyer shall pay.

Moreover the buyer shall be holden to furnish sufficient surety to the content of the seller, and in case it be a second time offered for sale, it shall be at his cost and expense.

[This sale was not completed.]

On this the twenty-eighth day of August, 1654, appeared before me Joannes Dyckman in the service, etc., the Honorable Jacob Janse Flodder [*alias* Gardenier] who declared before him that he is fully paid the sum of eighty beavers, which Eldert Gerbertse has given him, to be repaid again to him, Eldert Gerbertse, by said Jacob Janse Flodder, within six weeks, and until it be repaid, the sloop of Jacob Janse Flodder shall be specially mortgaged, and neither chartered nor alienated before the said eighty beavers to Elbert Gerbertse be again returned; further, pledging his person, to wit, Jacob Flodder and estate, personal and real, present and future, nothing excepted, also acknowledging that he has accepted Claas Hendrickse Van Utrecht[1] carpenter and Elbert Gerbertse as partners in the hire of the saw mill of Jacob Janse Flodder; all under a mutual pledge of their persons and estates, according to law.

In acknowledgment of the truth of the same, they have subscribed with their own hands, in Fort Orange on the date aforesaid, in presence of Jan Thomase [Mingael] and Pieter Hartgerts, commissaries of the honorable court here, as witnesses hereto called.

JACOB JANSE FLODDER.
CLAAS HENDRYCKSE.

As witnesses,
Jan Thomase.
Pieter Hartgerts.

Which I attest,
JOANNES DYCKMAN.

I, the undersigned, Juriaen Teyssen Van Amsterdam, acknowledge and confess that I have well and truly received of the honorable Mr. Philip Pieterse Schuiler, the sum of twenty-five hundred and sixty-two and a half guilders, to be paid by me or on my account in Holland, to wit, in good current money, six weeks after the showing of this to Meyndert Andryesse, pork buyer, or Jacob Janse Schermerhooren, now ready to depart thither; growing out of the receipt of goods received here; promising the aforesaid payment to make punctually, under a pledge of my person and estate, personal and real, present and future, submitting them to the force of all laws and judges.

In witness whereof, without craft or guile, two of the same tenor are signed; the one being paid, the other of no value; in Fort Orange, of date the twenty-ninth of August, 1654.

JURYAN TEYSSEN.

In my presence,
JOANNES DYCKMAN.

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[1] *Alias* Van Schoonhooven.

On this the thirtieth day of August, 1654, appeared before me Joannes Dyckman, etc., and in the presence of the afternamed witnesses, the honorable Jacob Janse Schermerhoren, commissary, being about to depart to *patria* [Holland], and declared that he had appointed and empowered, as by these presents he does appoint, etc., the honorable Pieter Hartgerts and Volkert Janse [Douw], in his name and on his account, to act during his absence in Holland, or so long as he may be away, with all the subscriber's estate, as well houses, gardens and other property, as with the invoice of merchandise which he is expecting, according to advices from his honored father in Holland by the last arrivals, and further, generally to act, for the subscriber as if he, in his own person, were present, yea, even as if herein it were stipulated and required as a special charge; all to be held good and trustworthy, provided these attorneys on the subscriber's return shall render a proper settlement and report, *in forma*, of their acts.

In acknowledgment of the truth of which, he has with his own hand subscribed this, in Fort Orange in Nieuw Nederland, in the presence of Mr. Francis Boon and Claes Hendrickse Van Utrecht, as witnesses hereto asked and called, and who to that end have also signed this paper.

JACOB JANSE SCHERMERHOOREN.

As witnesses,
Franscoos Boon.
Claes Hendrycksen.

Which I attest,

JOANNES DYCKMAN.

On this the thirtieth day of August, 1654, appeared before me Joannes Dyckman, etc., the honorable Mr. Francois Boon, being about to depart for *patria* [Holland], and declared that he had appointed and empowered the honorable Pieter Hartgerts and Volkert Janse [Douw], in his name and for his sake (afterwards to be sent to his father in *patria*), to demand, collect and receive all lawful obligations, claims and payments on his house sold, also to dispose of his goods, expected by the next arrivals from *patria;* provided that on request and demand of the subscriber, these attorneys shall be holden, upon his return, to render a proper account and statement thereof, and generally of all his estate here.

In acknowledgment of the truth of which, he has with his own hand signed this, in Fort Orange, on the date aforesaid, in presence of Jan Thomase [Mingael] and Claes Hendrickse Van Utrecht, as witnesses hereto called, who have also signed this paper with the principal (*comparant*).

FRANSCOOS BOON.

As witnesses,
Jan Thomase.
Claes Hendryckse.

Which I attest,

JOANNES DYCKMAN.

I, the undersigned, Jurian Thyssen Van Amsterdam, acknowledge and confess, that I am well and truly indebted to, and that I have received, here in New Nederland, from the honorable Jan Thomase and Volckert Janse [Douw], the sum of four thousand guilders, to be paid by me, or in

my behalf, in Holland, in good current money, within six weeks after sight, to Jacob Janse Schermerhoren, or to his honored father, living in Amsterdam, growing out of an indebtedness for good peltries, received here, promising to make said payment punctually; provided that in case I do not, at the appointed time, make said payment as is fit and proper, whereby the aforesaid friends would be greatly injured, inasmuch as they have ordered invoices of goods to be bought and the ships from *patria* generally depart hitherwards but once a year, whereby they would be deprived of much interest and the goods for a whole year, I will be bound promptly to make good all such losses and interest, which may arise from delay of payment, and to pay the interest as it is reckoned in this country; all under a pledge of my person and estate, personal and real, present and future, submitting the same to the force of all laws and judges.

In witness whereof two only of this tenor are made, the one paid, the other of no value.

Fort Orange, in New Netherland, this thirty-first day of August, 1654.

JURYAN TEYSSEN.

In my presence,

JOANNES DYCKMAN.

On this the thirty-first day of August, in the year of our Lord, 1654, appeared before me Joannes Dyckman, etc., the honorable Jan Thomase [Mingael] and Volkert Janse [Douw], and declared that they had appointed and empowered, as by these presents they do appoint, etc., the honorable Jacob Janse Schermerhoren about to depart hence for Holland, in their names and for their sakes to demand, collect and receive of Jurian Thyssen Van Amsterdam, all those five thousand guilders, which he has received of them in peltries here, for which he is indebted, and according to a bill of exchange is to pay on his arrival in Holland, six weeks after sight; also the same moneys to lay out in merchandise, and bring or send the same hither, by the first opportunity; provided they make a proper settlement of the receipt and expenditure of the same; and in case the said Jurian Thyssen fail to make payment punctually, they may at once sue and by that means compel him to pay, and further to do all things as if the subscribers were there present in their own persons, and by these presents were expressly demanded: all in good faith.

These with their own hands signed in Fort Orange, on the date aforesaid, in presence of Mr. Jacob Steendam and Jacob Tysse Van der Heyden, as witness thereto called, who, with the principal, have signed their names.

JAN THOMASE.
VOLKARTT JANSE.

As witnesses,
Jacob Steendam.[1]
Jacob Teyssen Van der Heyden.

Which I attest,

JOANNES DYCKMAN.

Roland Saverye in Fort Orange, lying here in New Netherland, in the service of the honorable privileged West India company in the fort afore-

[1] Jacob Steendam was citizen of New Amsterdam.

said, during the space of ten months boarded at my house, running up a bill of two hundred guilders, which sum, on his departure from here, he promised to pay on his return from Manathans, but afterwards having returned to *patria* [Holland], without paying me, he remains indebted to me as aforesaid; therefore to recover said sum, I, Jan Labatie, burgher and inhabitant of New Netherland, to whom the aforesaid moneys are due, have thought it needful to appoint and empower the honorable Theunis Janse at Themaker (?), to claim, collect, and receive the aforesaid moneys, from the friends and heirs of said Roeland Saverye now deceased, also to draw from the moneys paid into court, and of receipts to pass acquittances, and moreover all things to do therein, as if the subscriber, Jan Labatie, were there present in his own person, or were specially ordered and expressly demanded by these presents; to which end, we, the subscribers, Rem Jansen Smit and Lammert Van Valkenborgh, inhabitants and burghers of Fort Orange and Beverwyck, testify that during the aforesaid time, said Roeland Savery boarded at the house of Jan Labatie: all in good faith and without craft or guile, these with my own hand signed in Fort Orange the 31st of August, 1654.

JAN LABATIE.

As witnesses,
Rem Janssen.
The mark by *Lammert* + *Van Valckenborgh*
with his own hand set.

Which I attest,

JOANNES DYCKMAN.

I, the undersigned, Claes Cornelise, acknowledge and confess that I am well and truly indebted to Poulus Cornelise [Van Flensburgh] now ready to depart for *patria*, in the sum and number of six beavers, growing out of a debt for goods and wares here received, which said six beavers I promise to pay at sight to the aforesaid Poulus Cornelise, the next year, after his safe arrival (if he does not come back this debt shall be canceled), on pledge of my person and estate, personal and real, submitting myself to the force of all laws and judges.

In acknowledgment of the truth whereof, two only of this tenor are signed; the one paid, the other of no value, in Fort Orange this first day of September, 1654.

This is the mark set by CLAES × CORNELISE'S own hand.

Which I attest,

JOANNES DYCKMAN.

Their honors of the court of Fort Orange and Beverwyck, by experience having found that their honors' well mannered placards and orders, now and then published and posted at the usual places, are not observed and executed as was fitting; and also that the burghers as well as the tapsters' proper directions may have with respect to the receiver, Peter Reynerdingh,[1] who does not yield a proper observance of the aforesaid orders, whereby smuggling has became common; and whereas their honors of the court resolved to farm out the tapster's wine and beer excise of this

[1] Pieter Ryverdingh was clerk and court messenger at Fort Orange and Beverwyck.

jurisdiction; as also it was farmed on the 25 [of August,] at public sale; and Jacob Hendrickse Maat became the farmer, and to the honorable court promised a proper performance of his office during the time of the farming; now, therefore, their honors of the court hereby expressly interdict and forbid the aforementioned Jacob Hendrickse Maat, his collector, or those whom he has employed therein, in words, much less in acts, to revile, slander and defame, and in this his office to do any unlawful act (?) on penalty (*poete*) that those who shall have done such things shall be punished as the matter demands; and for the better preventing of smuggling, all burghers and inhabitants of this jurisdiction, without respect to persons, shall receive and land no strong beer, wine or distilled waters and unload no incoming sloops before a proper permit (*biljet*) from the farmer of the excise or his collector shall have been fetched and acknowledged; for which purpose they shall have their set times, morning and afternoon, to provide the good people with proper permits, and at such times and place shall cause such permits to be acknowledged; but the applicants shall be obliged to pay no excise, only two stuivers for every permit presented; under the penalty that whosoever shall be found to have done otherwise, all such beer and wine landed and put in cellar without such permits and acknowledgment of the farmer, shall, without any contradiction, be forfeited, and in addition to the forfeit a sum of three guilders; also all brewers dwelling in this jurisdiction are informed that no strong beer is to be permitted to the burghers or tapsters, before a permit (*biljet*) from the farmer or his collector is shown to them under the penalty thereto attached; and further, all boats (*barcquers*) coming laden from Manathans are not to unload before their passes (*passen*) have been presented and they are properly visited by the officer here, also those moneys which shall come from the farming shall be employed in the service of the public only; and every order made by the court (?) is to be regulated precisely and strictly according to the contents of this paper.

Thus done by the honorable court here in Fort Orange, this first of September, and resumed again on the second of September, 1654; present the honorable collector of customs and officer Johannes Dyckman.

JAN VERBEECK.
PIETER HARTGERTS.
FRANS BARENTSE PASTOOR.

On this the second of September, in the year of our Lord 1654, appeared before me Joannes Dyckman, etc., the honorable Goosen Gerritse [Van Schaick], burgher and citizen in the village of Beverwyck, and acknowledged that he had contracted and agreed with Marcelis Janse [Van Bommel], also burgher and citizen as aforesaid, for the sale of his certain house, as it is at present occupied by Goosen Gerritse, and the aforesaid house to set up on his certain lot on the hill, joining upon the north Pieter Bronck and upon the south, Jan Roeloffse [De Goyer]; which house Goosen Gerritse shall be holden at his own expense not only to take down but also to set up again, as good and bad as it is at present, on the lot aforesaid, and in case anything happens to be broken in pieces, Goosen Gerritse is holden to renew it; with glass (?) and a chimney within, just as the aforesaid house stands there, except the cellar, which the buyer Marcellis Janse must make at his own expense; provided that the buyer also shall be the owner of said lot, hav-

ing obtained a patent thereof, when the house shall be set upon it, and that the house must be erected there, on or before the first day of May next coming, finished according to contract, without fail; for the erecting of said house upon said lot, the buyer, Marcelis Janse, must pay the sum of twelve hundred guilders, in three installments, to wit, on the first of May next, on taking possession, the sum of four hundred guilders, the following year, on the first of May, four hundred guilders, and on the year thereafter, on the first of May, a like sum of four hundred guilders, to be paid in good current seewant or other current wares, such as the seller can and ought to be satisfied with, and the other to pay; provided that the buyer furnish sufficient sureties for the aforesaid payments to the content of the seller; all under pledge of their respective persons and estates, personal and real, present and future, submitting themselves to the force of all laws and judges; and in acknowledgment of the truth of the same they subscribe this paper with their own hands at the house of the buyer in Beverwyck, on the day aforesaid.

MAERCELYS JANSSEN.

This is the mark H of GOOSEN GERRITSE with his own hand set.

We, the undersigned, Franse Barentse Pastoor and Arent Andryssen [Brat] acknowledge and confess by these presents, that we or either of us have offered ourselves as sureties and principals for the purchase money, the aforementioned sum of twelve hundred guilders, and in case the buyer fails on the set times to make the payments, we or one of us for both, will take his place, and on the set and promised time, pay for the buyer himself, under a pledge of our persons and estates, personal and real, present and future, according to law, without craft or guile.

Signed on the date and place aforesaid, with our own hands, without craft or guile.

Frans Barentse Pastoor.
Arent Andresse.

Which I attest,

JOANNES DYCKMAN.

The administrators of the estate of the late Rut Arentse, tailor, propose to sell at public sale, to the highest bidder, a certain house and lot standing and lying at Manathans, behind the fort at New Amsterdam, joining on the east side Henderick de Backer, and on the west side Annetge Bogardus, all according to the patent thereof, upon the following conditions, to wit: that the buyer shall make the payment in two installments; the first, being the half, shall be paid punctually within one month; and the second installment, being the other half, shall be paid six weeks thereafter, also punctually. Which payment shall be made in good whole beavers; provided that the auction fees shall be a charge upon the buyer alone. The buyer shall be holden, immediately after the sale, to furnish sufficient security to the content of the seller, with the understanding, that in case no sufficient sureties are furnished, the property is to be offered for sale again at the cost and charge of the buyer. Further, the seller puts all things on the footing of making no rebate or restitution on any occasion whatsoever.

The buyer was William Frederickse [Bout] on the aforewritten conditions for the sum of six hundred and twelve guilders, this 3d of September, 1654.

The mark set by WILLEM FREDERICKSE, with his own hand.

Which I attest,

JOANNES DYCKMAN.

We, the undersigned, offer ourselves as sureties and principals for Willem Frederickse, according to law.

The mark + set by Dirrick Bentdinck's own hand.

The mark of * * *

Jacob Janse Van Noorstrant desires at public sale to sell his house standing in Beverwyck, adjoining to the west Henderick Gerritse [Van Wie], and to the east the alms house, together with the lot thereto belonging, besides a garden lying behind Fort Orange, number 19, adjoining to the south Dominie Schaets, and to the east Gysbert Cornelise [Van Wesp], or those who may lay claim thereto, to the west and north a road, length six rods and a half, breadth four rods and a half, all according to patent thereof, upon the following conditions, to wit, that the payment for the house, lot and garden shall be made in two installments; the first, being the half, punctually within the time of one month; and the second and last on the first of May next coming, which payments shall be made in whole and good beavers. The auction fees shall [be] a charge to the buyer alone; provided that the crops now standing on the aforesaid garden shall this year belong to the seller alone. Further, the seller puts everything on the footing of making no rebate or restitution on any occasion whatsoever. In this sale the mill and brewer's tools at present in the aforesaid house are not included. Provided that the buyer shall be holden to furnish sufficient security to the content of the seller, and if he cannot, then the lot shall be sold again at his expense. The buyer was Rutger Jacobsen, on the aforesaid conditions, for the sum of eight hundred and thirty guilders, this 3d of September, 1654.

RUTGER JACOBSEN.

We constitute ourselves sureties for the above standing person and purchase money, all according to law, this 3d of September, 1654.

JAN VERBEECK.

The mark set by GOOSEN GERRITSE [VAN SCHAICK], with his own hand.

Which I attest,

JOANNES DYCKMAN.

On this the fourth day of September, 1654, in the morning, appeared before me Joannes Dyckman, etc., the honorable Symon Volckertse Backer [Veeder], dwelling in Beverwyck, and acknowledged that he had sold to Albert Gerritse, carpenter, a certain lot, lying at Manathans, next to Adrian Vincent, breadth, on the west side, three rods and one foot; length, on the south side, five rods and six and a half feet; and on the

north side, five rods; all according to the patent; he, Symon, also acknowledging, that he has received the sum of thirty beavers therefor, being the full sum which he was promised for the aforesaid lot; he, Symon Volckertse, herewith giving a perfect conveyance of the aforesaid lot, without his having any action, right or claim thereon any more forever, but putting the aforesaid Albert Gerritse, carpenter, in respect to that, in his place, with all such rights as he, the seller and grantor, therein has had, being as aforesaid fully paid therefor.

In acknowledgment of the truth of which he has signed this paper with his own hand in Fort Orange, on the date aforesaid, in the presence of Thomas Sanders and Jan Van Aecken, smiths, as witnesses hereto called, who have also subscribed this with the grantor.

The mark set by SYMON + VOLKERTSE, with his own hand.

AELBERT GERRITSE.

As witnesses,

The mark set by X T *Thomas Sanders with his own hand.*
The mark of Jan + Van Aecken with his own hand set.

Which I attest,

JOANNES DYCKMAN.

On this fourth day of September, in the year of our Lord, 1654, in the morning, appeared before me Joannes Dyckman, etc., the honorable Thomas Sandersen, smith, and declared that he had sold to Jan Van Aecken, his certain house and lot, standing and lying in the village of Beverwyck, adjoining to the north, Carsten and Myndert Frederickse, and to the south, east and west, a road together with a garden, lying behind Fort Orange, alotment number 22; breadth four rods and a half; length seven and a half rods, with the appendances and dependences of the same, and he, Thomas Sanderse, acknowledges that he is fully paid and satisfied therefor, the first penny with the last, giving therefore a perfect release for the same forever; he, Thomas Sanderse, having no more right, claim or pretension to the aforesaid house, lot and garden, and putting the aforesaid Jan Van Aecken, in this respect, in his place, just as he, Thomas Sanderse, has stood therein.

In acknowledgment of the truth whereof, he has signed this with his own hand in Fort Orange, on the date aforesaid, without craft or guile, in the presence of Mr. Joannes Van Twiller, and Albert Gerritse, carpenter, as witnesses thereto called, who acknowledged that they had also signed this with the grantor.

The mark set X T by THOMAS SANDERSE with his own hand.
The mark of JAN VAN AECKEN + with his own hand signed.

As witnesses:
J. V. Twiller.
Albert Gerritsen.

Which I attest,

JOANNES DYCKMAN.

On this the fourth day of September in the year of our Lord 1654, in the morning, appeared before me Joannes Dyckman, etc., the honorable Albert Gerritse, carpenter, and declared that he was paid and fully satisfied for a five and forty foot lot (to wit, wood feet) in breadth on the road, running back to the * * besides the house standing thereon, joining to the south, Carsten and Myndert Frederickse, and to the north the seller, for which house and lot, as they lie and stand, he, Albert Gerritse, acknowledges that he is fully paid and satisfied, the first penny with the last, giving a perfect release therefor, forever, without his making any claim, demand or pretension to the same, putting the aforesaid Jan Van Aecken, in this respect in his place and in such ownership as he the seller and grantor has had therein, and promising the buyer, to free and defend the same for a year and a day.

In acknowledgment of the truth, without craft or guile, this is signed by the grantor's own hand, in presence of the honorable Jan Verbeeck and Mr. Joannes Van Twiller as witnesses for that purpose called, who also have signed this with the grantor.

ALBERT GERRITSEN.

The mark set by JAN VAN AECKEN.
with his own hand.

As witnesses,
Jan Verbeeck.
J. V. Twiller.

Which I attest,

JOANNES DYCKMAN.

On this fifth day of September, in the year of our Lord 1654, appeared before me Joannes Dyckman, etc., the honorable William Janse Stoll [*alias* Hap], and declared that to his satisfaction he had received from the hands of Arent Van Den Bergh, the sum of five hundred and fifty guilders, being half of the payment for the house, lot and garden standing in the fort and behind the same, of said Stoll, sold on the 8th of August last, at public sale, at the house of Hendrick Jochemse, for the sum of eleven hundred guilders, being the house adjoining to the east Hendrick Driessen,[1] and to the south Jacob Janse Stoll, and the garden adjoining to the south Mr. Abraham Staats's garden, and to the south Hendrick Driessen, all according to the conditions of sale; he, Willem Janse Stoll, therefore, giving a complete release to the buyer aforesaid for the aforenamed house, lot and garden, and promising on the payment of the last half, punctually in the month of May next, to deliver to the buyer a conveyance of the aforesaid house, lot and garden as is proper, under pledge of his person and estates, personal and real, present and future, submitting himself to the force of all laws and judges, witnessing this with his own hand; signed in Fort Orange, at the date aforesaid, in presence of Jacob

[1] Hendrik Dries or Driessen came to Beverwyck in 1642, with his sister Gertrude Dries Van Driesbergen.— *O'Callaghan's History of New Netherland*, 1, 440.

Hendrickse Maat and Lammert Van Valkenbergh, as witnesses for that purpose called.

WILLEM JANSE STALL.
The mark set by × ARENT VAN DEN BERGH.

As witnesses,
The mark set by + Lemmert Van den Bergh.
Jacob Heyndrickse Maat.

Which I attest,
JOANNES DYCKMAN.

On this fifth day of September, 1654, appeared before me Joannes Dyckman, etc., Willem Albertse Van Munichendam and declared that he had appointed, as by these presents he does appoint, etc., the honorable Claes Bendingh departing for Manathans, in his, the subscriber's, name, and for his sake, to demand collect and receive, *firstly*, all those thirty guilders and thirteen stuivers coming to the subscriber, from [Nicolaas ?] Terhaer to be paid in seewant, for which the aforesaid Terhaer had been arrested here, and also those thirty-six guilders, which are coming to him, the subscriber, aforesaid, from Jan Van Leyden, dwelling in Mespachs kil, for boards, in lieu of which goats were to be delivered, which he has slaughtered for himself and has received the money, which money Claes Bendingh shall endeavor to collect, in case of refusal by law, and to act for the subscriber as if he were present in his own person, also acquittance for receipts to give, all without craft or guile; these with his own hand signed in Fort Orange, of date aforesaid, in presence of Sebastian DeWinter, and Arent Van den Bergh as witness hereto called.

WILLIAM ALBERTSE.

As witness,
Basteiaen de Winter.[1]
The mark set by Arent + Van Bergh with his own hands.

Which I attest,
JOANNES DYCKMAN.

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[1] Bastiaen De Winter was a native of Middleburgh, Holland. In 1666, he was an inhabitant of Schenectady, but being about to depart for Holland, made Daniel Janse Van Antwerpen his attorney. In 1670, he sold his house lot in Schenectady together with his bouwery upon the *Groote Vlachte* to Jan Labatie, Elias Van Guysling, and Joris Aertse Van Der Baast. The tradition in the Van Guysling family was, that he was sick of consumption and sold with the intention of returning to Holland, but died before doing so. In 1678, the Dutch church of Albany claimed and probably obtained his property for the use of the poor; from which it may be inferred that he left no heirs in this country.—*English Manuscripts*, 169, 189; *Notarial papers; Deeds*, II, 618, 788-9.

5th September, 1654.

Gerrit Teunisen (?) desires to sell to the highest bidder the underwritten goods, on the following conditions, to wit: The bidder and buyer shall be holden to make payment within twenty-four hours without delay. The bidder shall be held to furnish sufficient sureties to the content of the seller. The payment shall be made in good whole or half beavers.

12 earthen plates, Dolle Griet,	*f*	4.15
2 platters and 6 plates, Mr. Adrian,	*f*	4.05
5 pairs of pillows, Mr. Jacob Barbier,	*f*	12.00
A candlestick and * *, John Thomase,	*f*	6.15
6 pairs of pillows, Dolle Gryet,	*f*	26.5
1 scale and weights, Goosen Gerritse,	*f*	9
A parcel of *, Cornelis Vastterrick,	*f*	
A gun, sword and belt; Goosen Gerritse,	*f*	26.00
7 pictures, Jan Van Aeeken,	*f*	9.00
1 Bible, Cornelis Teunise,	*f*	14.00
5 bands, Dan. Rinckhout,	*f*	2.15
1 traveling coat, Barent [Pieterse Coeymans] the miller,	*f*	21.00
1 book on health, Mr. Jacob Barbier,	*f*	8.00
2 shirts and carpenter's work bench,	*f*	5.15
1 gun, Daniel Rinckhout,	*f*	19.10
4 porringers, Cornelis Theunisse,	*f*	3.10
some knives, Volkert Janse [Douw],	*f*	20.10
1 cloak * in beavers,	*f*	58.00
6 pewter plates, and a porringer, Juraien Teunisse [Tappen]	*f*	10.00
10 earthen plates, Barent [Coeymans] DeMolenaer,	*f*	3.10
4 dishes, * * * planck,	*f*	4.00
1 gun, Barent DeMolenaer,	*f*	17.00
6 earthen plates, Mickial De Liemaker,	*f*	2.10
6 pair of pillows, Barent De Molenaer,	*f*	18.10
2 scales and weights, William Bout,	*f*	12.15
6 weights, Jochem [Wesselse] Becker,	*f*	7.00
1 pair pillows and bible, Andreyes Herpertsen,	*f*	12.00
a carpenter's work bench, and two * *	*f*	13,00
1 book, Festus Jomnius (?) Philip Pieterse Schuyler,	*f*	6.00
1 bat and balls, Pieter Hartgens, * * *	*f*	6.00
a parcel of tobacco, Volckert Janse [Douw],	*f*	10.00
a parcel of snuffers, (?) (*znuyters*), Dolle Griet,	*f*	2.70
3 books, Philip Pieterse,	*f*	16.00
2 *schabrotten*, Dominie Schaets,	*f*	6.00
1 tongs, shovel and chain, Claes Bordingh,[1]	*f*	9.00
1 book, Andryes Herpertsen,	*f*	5.00
1 saw bench, pail, and other traps, Carsten Frederickse,[2]	*f*	55.00
2 books, Cornelis Steenwyck,[3]	*f*	3:00

[1] In 1648, and subsequently, Claes Bording seems to have been a trader, making New Amsterdam his headquarters, but trading to South river, and Fort Orange. In 1648 and 1653, he was accused of dealing in contraband articles and smuggling.—*Dutch Manuscripts*, iii, 24, 55; iv, 393; v, 196.

[2] Carsten Frederickse, brother of Myndert Frederickse both smiths; had a shop and house on north corner of Beaver and South Pearl streets.

[3] Cornelis Steenwyck, a merchant of New Amsterdam.

1 book, Jurian Theunisse [*glasemaeker*],.....*f*	4.80
1 trunk (*roffer*); Harmen De Metselaer,.....*f*	3.50
a pair of shears and slippers (*muylen*) and a pair of pillows (*kuissen*) and a powder box (*cruydtdoos*), Barent, the miller, *f*	6.15
1 chair and two cushions, Andryes Herpertse,.....*f*	8.40
f	386.90

On the 9th day of August, in the year of our Lord 1654, appeared before me Joannes Dyckman, etc., the honorable Symen Symonse Groot and declared that he had appointed and empowered, as by these presents he does appoint, etc., Mr. Isaack De Forcest, his brother-in-law, living in the Manathans, to sell, transfer and assign, as his judgment approves, a certain settlement, amounting to the sum 684 guilders earned in the service of the West India company, and put into the hands of said De Forcest[1] for safe keeping, and also to act in the matter to the best of his, the attorney's, judgment, all true and without craft or guile, signed with his own [*Groot's*] hand at the date aforesaid, in the presence of Sebastian De Winter, and Mr. Joannes Megapolensis, * * * as witnesses hereto called who have also signed this with the principal.

SYMEN SYMENSE GROOT.[2]

As witnesses,
Basteiaen De Winter.
Mr. Jan Megapolensis.[3]

Which I attest,

JOANNES DYCKMAN.

De Vryes[4] complains of Seeger Cornelis [Van Voorhoudt], and Harmen Herpertse (?), for ringing bells at his door and before his house, and complains of their blowing horns (*getoeten*) at him, in presence of Jilles Pieterse and the neighbors about there.

On this tenth day of September, 1654, appeared before me Joannes Dyckman, etc., Rutger Jacopse, Cornelis Theunis Van Westbroek, and Goosen Gerritse [Van Schaick] burghers and citizens of the village of Beverwyck, and declared that they had together shipped on board the sloop of Cornelis Vos, Skipper Reynicks, two boxes of beavers containing seven hundred pieces to be again reshipped on the ships which are now about to depart for Holland; and if they be not present, to give by these presents, full power and authority to Gerrit Janse Van Swoll, at Mana-

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[1] Isaac De Forcest was son of Hendrik De Forcest, who died in New Amsterdam, about 1638. He was from Leyden, and married Sarah Du Trueux, in New Amsterdam, 9 June, 1641. In 1647 he received a patent for 50 morgens of land on Manhattan island. In 1656 he was weighmaster; died about 1695.— *Valentine's Manual*, 1861, and *Dutch Manuscripts*.

[2] Symen Groot, boatswain of the Prince Maurice, purchased a house of Jacob Roy, in New Amsterdam, in 1645; subsequently he came to Beverwyck (*Deeds* I, 343), and from thence to Schenectady. At the burning of that village by the French and Indians, in 1690, his five sons, Symon, Abraham, Philip, Dirk, and Claes, were carried away captives to Canada; one son, Cornelis, escaped capture.

[3] Jan Megapolensis, son of Domine Megapolensis first minister of Beverwyck, was a chirurgeon; removed to New Amsterdam, 1655; and thence to Holland, 1656.— *O'Callaghan's New Netherland Register*.

[4] Adrian Janse De Vries.

thans, to receive said boxes, and to do with them according to his best judgment, or as if the subscribers were present in their own persons.

Signed with their own hands in acknowledgment of the truth of this, in Fort Orange, at the date aforesaid, in the presence of Jochem [Wesselse] Becker and Mr. Joannes Megapolensis, chirurgeon, as witnesses hereto called.

RUTGER JACOBSE.
CORNELIS THONISSEN.
The mark set H by GOOSEN GERRITSE, with his own hand.

As witnesses,
Jochem Backer.
Mr. Joannes Megapolensis.

Which I attest,
JOANNES DYCKMAN.

Credentials for custom officer Dyckman and Peter Hertgerts, dated at Manathans.

Worshipful, valiant, and most noble lord and right honorable gentlemen, Heer General [Stuyvesant] and right honorable gentlemen [of the council].

The excellent letter of the right honorable, Heer general, of date the 29th of June last, was duly received by us, wherein he was pleased to write to us, that we, according to our request formerly made in writing, and by word of mouth to your honors, on or before the arrival of the ships from *patria*, dispatch two from our bench [of magistrates] to hold a closer consultation with your honors. Therefore not being able to omit the performance of your honors' gracious directions, we have chosen and sent to your honors from this court, the honorable, the custom officer, Joannes Dyckman and Peter Hertgerts, to present such matters as we have committed unto them; and our desire is that your honors will please to receive and recognize them as our deputies, favorably to listen, and speedily to come to such resolutions as we trust their honors' wise discretion and judgment may approve; we commit and commend your honors to God's gracious protection.

Worshipful, valiant and most noble lord and right honorable gentlemen. Your honors humble and faithful servants of the court of Fort Orange and Beverwyck.

Fort Orange, 11 Sept., 1654.

Instructions for the commission to the Manhatans, in accordance with the purport of the right honorable, the Heer general's missive of date the 29th of June, last, to the custom officer Joannes Dyckman and Pieter Hertgerts, deputed from the honorable court of Fort Orange and Beverwyck, according to which they are to regulate themselves. *First.*—That they shall with all reverence solicit of the right honorable, the director general and council of the province, their honor's resolutions and answer to the propositions as well oral as written, heretofore made by the honorable court aforesaid, for their government. That the said committee shall also petition for the speedy completion of the new company's (?) house at the company's expense, also that on account of the scarcity of

money, the small income from the excise be adjudged to remain for the public service; that some soldiers may be sent up as well to keep watch in the fort as against the savages, whose insolence the good people suffer daily, moreover they are to ask that two stuivers be levied on every beaver sent down for the payment of the salaries of the commissaries of this court and of the custom officer. * * They are also to petition for a quantity of gunpowder for the use of the fort, of which this court and the magistrates shall have the care, provided that on request made a proper, though not specific, account be rendered of the same, * * * * also for places where new lots may be given out, because there are daily calls for lots, and there are no more. * * * *

12 September, 1654.

That the court messenger, Pieter Ryverdingh, shall be paid a reasonable and proper salary. Their honors of the court here, finding that notwithstanding the good and well mannered order heretofore posted respecting the burghers and tapsters obtaining a proper permit from the farmer of the excises before storing their wines and beer, said good order is neglected; therefore, the better to prevent all smuggling in the future. All burghers dwelling in this jurisdiction are ordered to store no wines, beer or distilled waters, or permit them to be kept in places where they are commonly drank, under a penalty of fifty guilders, etc. * * * *

Thus ordered by the court of Fort Orange and Beverwyck, this 12th of September, 1654.

On this the seventeenth day of October, 1654, in the morning, about nine o'clock, appeared before me Joannes Dyckman, in the service of, etc., the honorable Jan Thomase [Mingael] magistrate (*commissaris ordinaris*) of the honorable court here, and Reyntyen Pieterse Baroquier, and together declared, as by these presents they do declare, by request of Adrien Claes Vryman, that they in the evening of Wednesday night last, were at the house of Abraham Pieterse Vosburgh, and among others, there were found in the aforesaid person's house, Jacob Symonsen Clomp Baroquier and the aforesaid Adriaen Claesse was sent out by Jacob Clomp aforesaid to fetch a canoe, lying on the other side of the river, which he Adriaen Claesse did; returning with the canoe and falling into the water, he, Adriaen Claesse came again to the house of Abraham Pieterse Vosburgh and took his knife in his hand to cut loose the lace of one of his shoes; laying down the knife by his side, and having some words with Jacob Clomp respecting the wages of said Arian Claase, Jacob Clomp springing up with the knife in his hand, cut diverse gashes in said Arian Claese's face and arm, without these deponents observing that Arian Claese opposed himself to, or fought against said Jacob Clomp; the deponents ending this their declaration and being asked to strengthen the same by oath, with their own hands subscribed the same, in Fort Orange, on the date aforesaid.

JAN THOMASE.

The mark set by + REYNTYEN PIETERS, with his own hand.

Which I attest,

JOANNES DYCKMAN.

On this one and twentieth day of October, 1654, I, Jochem Becker, burgher in Beverwyck, offer myself, by these presents, as surety and

principal for the person of Jacob Symonse Clomp Baroquier, for one hundred and seven guilders, which Jacob surnamed Clomp, must pay to the officer within the time of six weeks, according to the tenor of the contract made between the mutual arbitrators in the matter, and in case he, Jacob Clomp, fails within said time to pay said sum to said officer, I will immediately take his place and pay the same as my own debt, and pledge my person and estate, personal and real, present and future, nothing excepted, without craft or guile.

Signed with my own hand in Fort Orange, of the date aforesaid.

JOCHEM WESSELSE.

On this 21st day of October, 1654, appeared before me Joannes Dyckman in the service of, etc., the honorable Frans Barentse Pastoor, magistrate of the honorable court here, and declared that he had appointed and empowered by these presents, the honorable Pieter Cornelise, dwelling on the Long island at Breuckelen, in his name and for his sake, to demand, collect and receive all those six and seventy guilders and fourteen stuivers, for which Lodewyck Cornelise, dwelling at Manathans, according to an obligation, of date 28th of August, 1651, of said Lodewyck Cornelisse, to the subscriber is indebted, as well for money lent, as for duffels[1] delivered, and in case of refusal and longer delay, the same to sue at law, and proceed according to the forms thereof, also to act as may be needful; and further to do all things therein, as if the subscriber in his own person were present, yea, as though special charge were herein given.

Signed with his own hand in acknowledgment of this, at Fort Orange, of date aforesaid, in presence of the honorable Jan Verbeek and Jan Thomase, commissaries of the honorable court here, as witnesses hereto called, and who have subscribed the same also with the principal.

FRANS BARENTSE PASTOOR.

As witnesses,
Jan Verbeeck,
Jan Thomase,
Which I attest,

JOANNES DYCKMAN.

We, the undersigned, Jacob Hendericksе Maet and Eldert Gerbertsen, acknowledge by these our signatures, that we have offered ourselves as sureties and principals for Cors Boutsen (?) * * and are ready to deliver up again the person of said Cors Boutsen, or of ourselves to make compensation as for our own indebtedness, all under pledge of our persons and estates, real and personal, present and future, according to law.

In acknowledgment of the truth, this is subscribed with our own hands in Fort Orange this 21st of October, 1654.

JACOB HEYNDRICKSE MAET.
ELBERT GERBERTSE CRUIF.

In manner following the honorable Govert Loockermans, merchant at Manhatans and Eldert Gerbertsen, sawyer, covenant and agree with each other, to wit, that Eldert Gerbertsen shall be holden to send all that he shall saw, to Govert Loockermans aforesaid (except he sells both mills) to be sold by the same at Manhatans, for the profit of Eldert Gerbertse, as

[1] Duffels was a kind of coarse woolen cloth having a thick nap or frieze.

best he can, which contract shall begin on the morning of Monday the twenty-fifth of this month, and continue first one year, but in case, after that, they can come to an agreement, it shall continue from year to year; and for pains Govert Loockermans shall receive for selling and collecting, five per cent (*vyfften hondert*), over and above all expense.

In acknowledgment of the truth, this is subscribed by our own hands in presence of Mons. Joannes Van Twiller and Henderick Janse, as witnesses hereto called, who have signed this minute with the principals in Fort Orange, this 24th of October, 1654.

GOVERT LOOCKERMANS.
ELBERT GERBERTSE CRUIF.

As witnesses,
J. V. Twiller.
Hend. J. Vand^r Vin.

Which I attest,

JANNES DYCKMAN.

Worshipful, valiant, and most noble Heer General [Stuyvesant]:

The custom officer Dyckman has advised us that he has made known to your honor, that we, for a short period, to wit, until the first of May next, had publicly farmed out the tapsters' beer and wine excise, for the sum of thirteen hundred guilders; now, so it is, that the aforesaid officer being at Catskil, the Heer Rensselaer directed some wine to be delivered to those who live in the colony, without even directing a warrant from the impost master to be fetched, also without directing any impost to be paid; once and again, yea, the third time this was permitted; for though we had a general order, yet there is no special command that if wine and strong beer are carried from here, out of this jurisdiction into the colony, the excise should be paid, as well as by those who dwell within it; * * Our petition, therefore, is that your honor would please, at the first opportunity, to grant us a special order, that henceforth, for wine and beer carried out of this jurisdiction, the customs officer issue his permit (?) and seek to prevent evasions of payment. We shall await your honor's speedy order, lest the Heer Rensselaer, or some one else, may carry some wine or strong beer into the colony before a proper permit from the customs officer be obtained.

Mons. Johannes Van Twiller has represented to us, that he had spoken to your honor for permission to make a gangway (*uytgang*) and a cellar door (*kelder deur*); we refer the matter to your honor; we think, however, that it could be better and more properly done within the fort, still we await the answer which your honor shall please to send. We petition, if it please your honor, to send an answer and written order to the propositions written by the customs officer, and according to our direction delivered to your honor, that we may know how to regulate ourselves. We shall ever remain your honor's true and humble servants, of the court of Fort Orange and Beverwyck.

Fort Orange, this 4th of November, 1654.

[The next paper is a conveyance, dated 4 November, 1654, of a house and lot in Fort Orange, from Jan Labatie to Adrian Janse [Appel] Van Leyden, erased and not executed.]

The following paper is used in its place.

On this the eleventh day of November, 1654, in the forenoon, appeared before me Joannes Dyckman, in the service of, etc., the honorable Jan Labatie, and declared that he had sold, as by these presents he does sell to Adriaen Janse [Appel] Van Leyden, his certain house, standing in Fort Orange, adjoining to the south angle (*punt*) of said fort, and to the north the north gate of the same, with a garden and hogpen therein standing, lying to the south of said fort, adjoining to the west Lambert Van Valckenborgh, and on the south side Pieter Jacobse [Borsboom?], to the north a road, and to the east the honorable company's garden; the aforesaid house as it stands, and the said garden and hogpen, to be delivered free, according to the patent thereof; for which the buyer, Adrian Janse Van Leyden, must pay for said house, lot, garden, hogpen and appurtenances of the same, the sum of eighteen hundred and twenty-five guilders, to the Rev. Dominie Gideon Schaets and the honorable Jan Verbeeck, as attorneys for Mr. Paulus Schrick, in three installments; the first payment, being six hundred guilders, shall be paid on the first of May, 1655, in beavers; the second payment, on the first of May, 1656, being also six hundred guilders in beavers; and the third and last payment shall be paid on the first of May, 1657, being six hundred and twenty-five guilders, in good current seewant; provided that the buyer shall remain in the occupancy thereof until May and during the time of said occupancy and lease, shall pay nothing to the seller; for the full payment he shall furnish as sureties Mr. Anthony De Hooges and Pieter Ryverdingh, who, with their signatures, bind themselves, that in case the buyer aforesaid fail of payment on the set time or times, they will at once step into his place, and themselves the purchase money assume to pay for the buyer, under a pledge of their persons and estates, personal and real, and moreover submitting the same to the force of all laws and judges.

In acknowledgment of the same, said sureties have subscribed these presents with their own hands, with the consent of the attorneys of Mr. Paulus Schrick aforesaid; and the seller shall be obligated to warrant and defend said house, lot, garden and hogpen for a year and a day only, and in like manner is bound and indebted; all in good faith and without craft and guile.

Signed by the buyer, seller, attorneys and sureties in Fort Orange, on the date aforesaid.

JAN LABATIE.
ARIAN JANSE V. LEYDEN.[1]

As attorneys of Paulus Schrick,
Gideon Schaets, Pastor in Renselaerswyck.
Jan Verbeeck.
As sureties,
Antonius De Hooges.
Pieter Ryverding.

Which I witness,

JOANNES DYCKMAN.

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[1] Adriaen Janse Appel, or Van Leyden, was an innkeeper in Beverwyck for some years, but subsequently removed to New Amsterdam, and petitioned for the freedom of the village, in 1662.— *Dutch Manuscripts*, x, 247.

In 1654, he received a patent for a lot at Beverwyck, on condition, that the house to be erected thereon, be not an ordinary tippling house, but an inn for travelers.— *Patents* III 2, 12. 28th June, 1685, Adriaen Janse Appel, "weduwnaar van Maria Reyverding, en Folkie Pieterse, weduwe van Pieter Meese Vrooman," were married in Albany.

The attorneys hereby annul the aforesaid sale and the sureties of the same are discharged; in witness whereof this is subscribed by the attornies in Fort Orange, this 23d of April, 1655.

GIDEON SCHAET, Pastor in Rensselaerswyck.
JAN VERBEECK.

Worshipful, valiant and most noble, Heer General:

Our honorable fellow member, Pieter Hertgerts, having come up, has informed us that the papers and resolutions were delivered to your honor, and by word of mouth and by writings has shown the resolutions you directed to be sent up. In all kindness we petition that your honor will please to send up speedily, the sooner the better, advice for the regulating of our affairs. How desolate is our condition from the late high water, * * * * will report to your honor by word of mouth; nevertheless we cannot refrain from writing that the four angles of the fort, by the late flood, are almost destroyed or carried away, besides the honorable company's garden, where scarcely a * remains, especially those residing on the third [*Fossen*] kil. * * * * We petition that your honor will please afford us the means for rebuilding the fort, * * * expecting which speedily, we commit your honor and family to God's defense and protection, and remain your honors' humble and faithful servants of the court of Fort Orange and Beverwyck.

Nov., 1654.

On this 16th day of November 1654, appeared before me Johannes Dyckman in the service of, etc., the honorable Claes Hendrickse Van Utrecht [Van Schoonhoven?], and declared that he had sold to Hendrick Andriesse Van Doesburgh, his certain house standing in Manathans and the lot thereto belonging, lying on the broad or public way, as he the aforesaid Claes Hendrickse bought the same from Jan Peek[1] citizen of Manathans, which aforesaid house adjoins on the north on Evert Pels, and on the south Jan De Metselaer. * * *

[The above conveyance is imperfect and unexecuted.]

On this 20th day of November, 1654, appeared before me Johannes Dyckman in the service of, etc., the Honorable Abraham Staets, and declared that he had hired Barent Gerritse, which Barent Gerritse himself acknowledges; to serve for the time of a whole year (*vont jaer*) commencing on the 7th of October last, and continuing until the 7th of October next, on the conditions that he, Barent Gerritse, on his honor's land, or wherever he shall have need of him, shall do all the farm labor, during the aforesaid time, upon his *bouwery*, except the sowing of that portion which is not sown; for which service he, Barent Gerritse, shall receive within the year aforesaid, three hundred and thirty guilders; two hundred in beavers and the rest in current seewant; Barent Gerritse has also stipulated for free washing, two pairs of stockings, and a pair of shoes; upon which conditions the honorable Abraham Staets aforesaid has paid one beaver as earnest money (*goots penninck*), and for the per-

[1] Jan Peek was an innkeeper in New Amsterdam. He also owned a house in Beverwyck, which he offered for sale in 1655 (p. 94). He is said to have been the discoverer and first settler of Peekskil. By his wife, Maria Volchers, he had four children. His son Jacobus settled in Schenectady, and from him have sprung those of this name in that vicinity.

formance of this contract, they pledge their respective persons and estates, personal and real, present and future, and in acknowledgment of the truth, with their own hands subscribe the same, in presence of Adrian Janse [Appel] Van Leyden and Gillis Douwesse Fonda, as witnesses hereto called and invited who, with the officer aforesaid, and the principals, have also subscribed the same, on the date aforesaid, in Fort Orange.

ABRAM STAES.

This is the mark set × by BARENT GERRITSE, with his own hand.

As witnesses,
Adrian Janse V. Leyden.
Jelles Vonda.[1]

Which I attest.

JOHANNES DYCKMAN.

On this 27th day of November, 1654, appeared before me Joannes Dyckman in the service of, etc., the honorable Andryes Herpertsen, and declared that he had contracted and agreed as follows, that Claes Hendrickse Timmerman and Claes Janse Van Rotterdam shall for him, Andryes Herpertsen, make, frame and set up, a house in Beverwyck, upon a lot to be pointed out as great in length and breadth and as good and bad (*goet en quaet*), as the house by him at present occupied, for which, the contractors shall furnish all the materials, in all respects like those in his, the subscriber's house in Beverwyck built by Dicke Van Houten (?), both without and within, nothing excepted; provided also that said house shall be framed and set up by the first of May next; for which, when done the contractors shall receive, and the subscriber Andryes Herpertsen, shall pay the sum of 1800 guilders in whole beavers.

In acknowledgment of the truth of which, the parties have subscribed this with their own hands, in presence of Rutger Jacopsen and Hendrick Jochemse, as witnesses hereto called, who also have subscribed this agreement with the contractors.

ANDRIES HERBERTS.
CLAES HENDRYCKSEN.
CLAES JACOBSE.

As witnesses,
Rutger Jacobse.
Hendrick Jochemse.

By these presents Evert Brantse, the soldier, and Jan Labatie agree with each other that the former shall be holden to labor as a farmer for a whole year, commencing from this date, for which service, within the year, he shall receive the sum of three hundred guilders, and moreover Jan Labatie, inasmuch as the customs officer has need of him, agrees that he shall remain three days with said officer.

Fort Orange the 29th of Nov., 1654.

JAN LABATIE.

The mark set by EVERT BRANTSE + VAN AMERSFOORT.

Which I attest,

JOANNES DYCKMAN.

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[1] Jillis Douwesse Fonda had one son, Douwe. In 1656, a suit was brought against his wife for removing Lewis Cobussen's wife's petticoat from the fence; defendant says plaintiff pawned the article for beaver: put over.—*Dutch Manuscripts*, XVI,[2] 11, 15.

On this the first day of December, 1654, appeared before me Joannes Dyckman in the service of, etc., the honorable Roeloff Jacopse, as husband and guardian of Gretie Jacopse, whom the subscriber declared to have received a letter from Holland, from Gysbert Evertse, guardian, which [announces] to the subscriber, that his wife or he for her is * * * at Bunschoten under Ryck Aelten dwelling there, promising that the money shall be paid * * * to Mr. Lambert Willemse Munick and Pieter Munick, citizens and advocates, the subscribers people, who are bound for the interest * * [illegible] * * in presence of Mons. Robert Vastrick and Pieter Janse as witnesses hereto called and invited, who, with the principals, have signed this.

The mark + set by GRIETGEN JACOBSE, with her own hand.

ROELOFF JACOBSEN.

As witnesses,
P. Vastrick.
Pieter Jansen.

Which I attest,

JOANNES DYCKMAN.

Kit Davits:

What his honor, the Heer general [Stuyvesant], has written to you, will be seen in the following copy: "You are to permit the Heer De Hulter and his, to enjoy free possession of land purchased, and other things, and not incite the savages against him or his, nor let harm come to his property, nor do him the least injury; if you do so, we shall proceed against you according to law. Let this serve as a final warning to you, according to which to regulate yourself, that the aforesaid Heer [De Hulter] may enjoy free possession; and in case you act to the contrary, we shall at once proceed against you according to law."

The court of Fort Orange and Beverwyck.

Fort Orange, 3 December, 1654.

On this the 21st day of December, 1654, appeared before me Joannes Dyckman in the service of, etc., the honorable Rutger Jacopson, burgher and citizen of Beverwyck, and declared that he had agreed and contracted with Dirrick Bensinck, to frame and make a house one board in length; to set up and build it behind the house of the said Dirrick Bensinck, now standing and built in Beverwyck, according to the requirements of the work upon * * to be completed by Dirrick Bensinck at his own expense: further the contractor shall be holden to construct the house with a * * pantry; also three girders, brackets, a garret, floor, door and window tight, all at his own cost; also the contractor shall make therein a door case; for which he shall receive five hundred and twelve guilders, to be paid in installments as follows, the first immediately, the second in the month of June, and the last * * * all honest and in good faith; in Beverwyck in presence of Cornelis Theunisse Van * * and Jan * * as witnesses hereto invited.

RUTGER JACOBSEN.

This is the mark set by X BENSINCK

Hendrick Jochemse (?).
Cornelis Thonissen, as witness.

Which I attest,

JOANNES DYCKMAN.

Their honors of the court here having been informed that one Maats,[1] at the public inns, has been gambling for great sums of money, so is it that their honors hereby give notice that such * * playing is forbidden, * * the officer being requested against such lavish squanderings of such notable sums of money to proceed according to law; further, in such cases their honors will no longer execute judgment for such winnings and losses * * but the officer shall be requested to proceed against, and impose the penalty upon, all such unlawful players which are hereby expressly prohibited, that the evil consequences which may arise therefrom * * * *

This done in Fort Orange, this 22d of December, 1654. Present *in Registro.*

[The greater part of the following paper is illegible]:

* * * * * on the 3d of November, before the court has acknowledged that, * * * * * officer here * * * brandy sold to the Indians, so is it upon her request * * * because the first * * excused, provided that a fine to the clerk and officer, shall be paid, at once in current seewant, the sum of * * * * under this reservation, that in case hereafter she do so any more, after the full * * * * * this serving as a public warning.

Fort Orange, this 30 Decemb : 1654.

Willem Fredericse Bout proposes to sell at public sale, his house and lot, at present occupied by himself, adjoining on the south side upon Jan Michielsen [Van Edam] on the east side the public road, breadth nine rods and ten feet in front, length twelve rods on both sides, breadth in the rear nine rods and five feet, all according to the patent thereof; upon the following conditions: That the payment shall be made in three installments punctually, of which the first, being a third part, shall be paid in May next, the second six months thereafter, and the last third part, also in the following six months; which payment shall be made in good whole beavers or grain, at the choice of the buyer. The auction fees shall be claimed of the buyer alone. The buyer shall be holden to furnish sufficient sureties for the payment. Further, the seller makes the sale on this condition, that no rebate shall be made, whatever may be the occasion. The buyer was Teunis Dirrickse [Van Vechten][2] for the sum of nineteen hundred and twenty guilders.

We, the undersigned, present ourselves as sureties for the principal for payment for the aforesaid house under obligation according to law, this 11th of January, 1655.

The mark + set by THEUNIS DIRRICKSE, with his own hand.

As sureties,

A. Van Curler.

Rutger Jacobse.

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[1] Jacob Hendrikse Maats.

[2] Teunis Dirkse Van Vechten came out in 1638, with wife, child, and two servants, in the Arms of Norway, and had a farm in 1648, at Greenbush, north of that occupied by Tennis Cornelise Van Vechten. He is referred to in 1663, as an old inhabitant here. — *O'Callaghan's History of New Netherland*, i. 438. Perhaps he was called "Poentie" in 1649.— *Dutch Manuscripts*, iii, 37.

Willem Frederickse [Bout] proposes to sell, on the following conditions, a lot and some timber for a house, adjoining to the north Volckert Janse [Douw], and to the south Sander Leendertse [Glen], to the west a public road, to the east the path to the river side; upon the following conditions; that the payment for the same shall be made in good whole beavers or hard grain (*hart koren*). * * * *

[This paper is unexecuted.]

Jochem [Wesselse] Becker desires to sell, at public sale, a piece of woodland lying behind Fort Orange, with a house of a board long, just as they lie and stand; the breadth of the land is according to the patent thereof, which shall be delivered to the buyer when the payment is made, bounded south upon the Beaver kil, west the woodland, north the hill, east the thicket (*creupelbosch*), is in breadth on the south side 50 rods, on the north side 36 rods, length 105 rods, with the fence set round about the same and the house also there built; upon the following conditions, to wit, that the payment shall be made in three installments of a third part each; the first in the month of May, next, the second, six months after, and the third, six months following. The payment must be made in good whole beavers, or grain, at the choice of the buyer. The auction fees shall be a charge against the buyer; provided that the buyer shall be holden to furnish sufficient sureties to the content of the seller, for the payment. Philip Pieterse [Schuyler], was the buyer, on the aforementioned conditions, for the sum of four hundred and sixty-eight guilders.

PHILIP PIETERSEN.

As sureties according to law,
Johan Baptist Van Renselaer.
A Van Curler.
11 Jan., 1655.

Worshipful, valiant, most noble lord and right honorable sirs. Heer general and right honorable sirs:

The Mohawks, or some of them, have been here with us, asking us that some Dutchmen may go to the Sinekens,[1] to compose the difficulties which have arisen between them and the Sinekens, but through the unfitness of the times no one has been found (?); and moreover as one of the leaders of the Sinekens has been killed by the Mohawks, they are indisposed (?). So that we have thought it needful to write to your honor and the right honorable [council], since we judge the same to be a matter of state, for if the Mohawks drive out the Sinekens, or whilst war exists, no trade here will yield any returns from that time on. If this war begins we shall expect your honor and the right honorable [council], in their wise judgment, to take this matter into consideration, and our humble petition is that your honor, etc., will please send by the bearer of this, their resolution upon this weighty point, to wit, the slaying of the chief of the Sinekens of Onnedaego, which Indians as aforesaid are threatening to make war upon the Mohawks. * * * It is a dangerous thing for us to interfere with this exciting quarrel on such an occasion. The

[1] Senecas.

Mohawks came to us with a gift, saying that they thought counsel nearly at an end, and therefore sought our intervention with the excited parties, and, if possible, to remove the difficulty. We answered them that the time of the year was not propitious for the Dutch to undertake such a journey, even if it were needful, and a fit time beforehand were had, so then they ordered what might be fitting therein. * * * * We beseech your honor, to please send up the accounts of the six soldiers, and other honorable company's servants, stationed here, and to order the traders to contribute so much as amounts to a bale of clothing, else we must at once demand their license. We shall now await your honor's good orders; our power alone avails nothing * * * * that so both the honorable company, and we, may thereby render better service. Wherefore expecting your honor's good orders, Heer general and right honorable sirs, we commend your honors to God's protection, and remain, right honorable sirs,

Your humble and trusty servants,

The court of Fort Orange and Beverwyck.

Fort Orange, 6 January, 1654.

Honorable Jan Dirrickse Van Bremen:

As divers creditors of yours have shared with us in the grain, therefore we have ordered that you sell no grain before the after following persons shall have been fully paid, Evert Bils (?), for the sum of two hundred and twenty, and Pieter Hertgerts, the sum of two hundred and seventy guilders. * * * * *

The court of Fort Orange and Beverwyck.

13 January, 1655.

On this the 13th day of January, 1655, appeared before me Joannes Dyckman, in the service of, etc., Adrian Dirickse De Vries, who declared that he had sold to Pieter Adriaansen Soogemacklyck,[1] a certain lot (to be determined and delivered on the first of May), lying in Beverwyck, provided that the seller shall * * the house standing thereupon, adjoining easterly and westerly on the * *, southerly and northerly, provided that the seller (*sic*) shall be holden to pay to the buyer (*sic*) the sum of a hundred and twelve guilders, the remaining eight guilders to pay for the patent, to remain a charge to the buyer. * * * * The payment must be made * * *. All in good faith, and under pledge of their persons and estates, personal and real, present and future.

In acknowledgment of the same, signed with their own hands, as well by the buyer as the seller.

The mark of ADRIAN DIRRICKSE DE VRIES, with + his own hand signed.

On this the 17th day of January, 1655, appeared before me Joannes Dyckman in the service of, etc., the virtuous (*eerbaar*) Femmetje Albertse widow of the late Hendrick Janse Westerkamp, and declared that she

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[1] Pieter Adriaansen Soogemackelyck was an innkeeper. In 1660 he was called *voorsoon* of Anna Pieterse Soogemackelyck, widow of the late Barent Janse Bal. In 1664, he received a patent for a bouwery in Schenectady, which he sold in 1670 to Helmer Otten, from whom it passed to Ryer Schermerhorn, by marriage to Otten's widow. He is perhaps the same person as P. A. Van Woggelum, often spoken of in the ancient records.

had sold to the Honorable Jan Thomase [Mingael], Pieter Hertgerts and Volckert Janse [Douw], a certain corner (*hoeck*) of her lot lying in Beverwyck, in length five rods and six feet and in breadth six rods and eight feet just as it lies there, for which the seller shall receive in cash the sum of three hundred guilders, to be paid in beavers or hard grain, at the choice of the buyer, whereupon, she, the seller, of the aforesaid lot, (as well in its length as in its breadth), promises a full release of the same to them and their heirs forever.

In acknowledgment of the truth this is signed with their own hand, in Fort Orange, on the date aforesaid.

The mark set by FEMMETJE ALBERTSE × with her own hand.

As buyers,

JAN THOMAS.
PIETER HERTGERTS.

As witnesses,
Pieter Ryverdingh.

Which I attest,

JOANNES DYCKMAN.

Their honors of the court having learned that certain persons, on the solemn festivals of yesterday and Shrovetide evenings, in this jurisdiction, having clothed themselves in strange habiliments, and put on women's clothes, therein publicly marched as mountebanks, through the city and streets, in the sight of the inhabitants, and besides did other scandalous and unseemly things, * * * that no one during the whole * * draw [a knife] or shoot off a gun, under any pretext whatsoever, for the reason that not only many improprieties thereby take place, but the farm and other servants not only cease from their service, and by that means lose their time, but fights, blows, blasphemy, oaths and other irregularities happen; so is it that their honors of the court, hereby expressly forbid such things to be done, on penalty that those who are found doing contrary hereto, shall pay to the behoof of the officer here, the sum of twenty-five guilders, for the first offense.

Thus done in Fort Orange this 26th of January, 1654.

Appeared before me, Joannes Dyckman, in the service of, etc., in the presence of the honorable magistrates of the court here, Sander Leendertse [Glen] and Pieter Hertgerts, *Firstly* — Jacob Janse Stoll [*alias* Hap] who declared that he had granted, conveyed, and transferred, for himself and his successors, two certain houses standing in Fort Orange, with the gardens thereto belonging at present, adjoining on the east upon Arent Van den Bergh, and to the west on the angle (*punt*) of said fort, for which, in exchange, he has agreed with Claas Hendrickse Van Utrecht, that in real ownership he (Stoll) shall again receive a certain house standing in Manathans, according to conveyance of date the 17th of May, 1654, delivered in the presence of Messieurs Nicasius de Sille and La Montagne in Niew Amsterdam, lying and standing on the island of Manathans in Niew Amsterdam, bounded easterly on the river, in breadth on the road or south side three rods and three and a quarter feet, breadth in the rear, on the north side, one rod, seven and a half feet, length on the east side, ten rods, two and a half feet, length on the west side, twelve

rods; and the grantors declare, that they confirm both sales, and also for themselves and their heirs will warrant and defend the same forever; promising to hold this conveyance secure, and said grantors acknowledge what has been done above by way of exchange, annulling the former exchange forever; and that what is aforesaid is fast and done in good faith, thus holding this agreement, honestly, and in good faith: in presence of us, signed by both the grantors with their own hands, and by the honorable commissaries this twenty-seventh day of January, 1655.

Jacob Janse Stoll.
Claes Hendryckse.
Joannes Dyckman.
Saunder Lenrsn.
Pieter Hertgerts.

1655, 5 February, at the house of Marselis Janse.

Cornelis Wouterse desires to sell, at this public sale, the following goods upon these conditions, to-wit: The payment shall be made within the time of three weeks, or at the outside one month, in good whole beavers. The buyer shall be holden to furnish security for the above payment, to the content of the seller, and failing so to do, the articles shall again be offered at his cost and charge. Moreover, the seller puts all upon this footing, that no reduction or increase of price shall be allowed for any reason whatever after the sale.

Andries Herpertse, a bed with pillows and bolsters, for	*f*	65.00
Keesie Wouters, a cloak,	*f*	64.00
do a petticoat,	*f*	36.00
Eldert Gerritse, a little cloak,	*f*	17.00
Cornelis, a ditto, with a stomacher,	*f*	25.00
Pieter Adreansen [Soogemackelyck], an upper petticoat,	*f*	25.00
Barent [Coeymans], the miller, an upper petticoat,	*f*	21.00
Cornelis Teunise, a pair of sleeves,	*f*	9.00
Barent the miller, a Turkish (?) coat,	*f*	37.00
Lambert Albertsen [Van Neck], a cloak,	*f*	49.00
Andres Herpertse, two *loockeas*,	*f*	22.00
Andres Herpertse, two do,	*f*	25.00
Corn. Bos, two pillows,	*f*	11.00
Grietje Teunise, two pillows,	*f*	12.00
Lambert Albertse, three pillows,	*f*	12.00
Janne Mon, two napkins (*servetten*),	*f*	8.00
do five napkins,	*f*	13.00
Lambert Albertse [Van Neck], two napkins,	*f*	10.00
Pieter Meesen [Vrooman] two napkins,	*f*	9.00
Cornelis Teunis, two napkins,	*f*	8.00
Pieter So Mackelyck, two napkins,	*f*	9.00
Pieter Bronck, two napkins,	*f*	9.00
do do	*f*	10.10
do do	*f*	9.00
Claes Henderickse [Van Schoonoven], two napkins,	*f*	8.06
P. Ryverdingh, two napkins,	*f*	8.00
do six pewter plates, for	*f*	12.00

Hendrick Jochemse, six pewter plates, for..... *f* 11.00
Cornelis Teunisse, a chest, ... *f* 21.00
Tgerck, a sum of money (*een pennnigh*),..... *f* 18.00

591.00

Marcelis Janse [Van Bommel] sold a cloak exposed for sale a second time, for..... *f* 40.00
Evert Pels, a gun,..... *f* 6.70
Pieter Ryverdingh sold the following rolls of tobacco: Gerrit Segerse] Van Voorhoudt] 8 rolls,..... *f* 31.00
Jan Andriesse De Graff,[1] 4 ditto,..... *f* 10.00
Willem, 3 rolls, for..... *f* 8.30
Cornelis Theunise, 6 rolls,..... *f* 35.00
Klaes Hendrickse [Van Schoonhoven or Van Utrecht] stood security for Gerrit Segerse for 6 rolls, for..... *f* 25.00
Elbert Gerritse stood security for Gerrit Segerse, for 14 rolls of tobacco,..... *f*
Eldert, 6 rolls,..... *f* 24.10
Gerrit Reyerse,[2] 6 rolls,..... *f* 25.10

Mr. Johan De Hulter desires at this sale to sell the following goods, underwritten, upon the following conditions, to wit: The payment of the goods sold shall be made punctually, within two months from this day. The payment shall be made in good whole beavers or wheat. Moreover the buyer shall be holden, at or shortly after the sale, to furnish sufficient sureties to the content of the seller, if not, the articles shall again be offered at the buyer's expense and charge, and if they sell for less, he shall be holden to make good the loss.

An iron vise to Cornelis Vos,..... *f* 36.00
An iron vise to Pieter Hertgerts, ... *f* 6.17
Three saw (*saye*) irons, to Jan Van Aecken,..... *f* 25.00
A drill (*dril iser*), to Mr. Rensselaer,..... *f* 8.02
A cloak, Pieter Hertgerts,..... *f* 20.01
A silk camlet robe, Pieter Hertgerts,..... *f* 30.00
A child's coat, Goosen Gerritse [Van Schaick],..... *f* 5.01
A *bouwetyen*, Jan Thomase [Mingael],..... *f* 17.00
An old woman's gown, Rutger Jacopsen,..... *f* 28.00
Two napkins (*servetten*), Mr. Rensselaer,..... *f* 9.10
Two napkins, Seger Cornelise [Van Voorhoudt],..... *f* 9.10
Two napkins, Mr. Rensselaer,..... *f* 8.17
Two napkins, Cornelis Vos,..... *f* 9.13
Mr. Rensselaer, two napkins,..... *f* 9.00

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[1] Jan Andriesse De Graff, son of Andries De Graff, was a brickmaker. In 1658, he was fined with two others 500gl. for selling liquor to the Indians. With one Roseboom he went to New York, and commenced the making of bricks. His brother Claas settled in Schenectady, and is the ancestor of the families of this name there.

[2] Gerrit Reyerse of Utrecht, was a trader, and made two voyages to Holland in 1660 and 1662. On his first return in July, 1661, a complaint was made against him for smuggling. His two logs are still in existence.

In 1678 he owned a lot on the west side of Broadway on the Vosseukill, 4 rods north of Columbia street. — *Deeds*, 1, 414. By his wife Annatie, he had at least five children; made his will 15 February, 169¾; was not living in 1700.

Giertgen Bouts,[1] two napkins,	*f*	9.13
Two napkins, Jonge Cees,	*f*	9.12
	f	232.11

18 Feb., 1655.

Brought from the other side,	*f*	241.11
Two napkins, *jonge* Kees,	*f*	9.12
do. Cornelis Vos,	*f*	9.16
do. Giergen Bouts,	*f*	9.10
do. Cornelis Vos,	*f*	9.12
do. Dicke Cees,	*f*	9.14
Six napkins, Giergen Bouts,	*f*	31.00
Six napkins, Rutger Jacobsen,	*f*	24.00
One rix-dollar, Claes Janse Van Boere (?),	*f*	5.06
One rix-dollar, Goosen Gerritse [Van Schaick],	*f*	4.08
One rix-dollar, Seger Cornelise,	*f*	4.01
One piece of money (*stuck gelts*), Jannemon,	*f*	3.16
One piece of money, Louys,	*f*	15.00
One piece of money, Thomas Janse,	*f*	4.08
One piece of money, Segar Cornelis,	*f*	4.00
One piece of money, Dirrick Bensick,	*f*	4.80
do. Seger Cornelise,	*f*	5.15
do. Mr. Rensselaer,	*f*	5.15
do. Thomas Janse,	*f*	4.00
do. Pieter Meuwse (?)	*f*	4.05
do. Mr. Rensselaer,	*f*	5.11
do. William Janse Shut,	*f*	5.10
do. do.	*f*	4.13
do. Seger Cornelise,	*f*	5.05
do. Cornelis Theunise,	*f*	4.14
do. Seger Cornelise,	*f*	4.05
do. Jannemon,	*f*	4.05
do. Mr. Rensselaer,	*f*	4.05
do. do.	*f*	5.06
do. Dolle Giet (?)	*f*	5.10
do. do.	*f*	5.12
do. Pieter Meuwse,[2]	*f*	4.11
do. Arent Van Curlee,	*f*	3.02
do. Mr. Rensselaer,	*f*	3.05
do. Keesie Wouterse,	*f*	3.02
do. Jeremias Rensselaer,	*f*	3.06
do. Kees[3] Wyncoop,	*f*	3.06
Seger Cornelis, scissors,	*f*	2.10
[Arent Van] Curler, scissors,	*f*	2.05
A piece of gold, Seger Cornelise,	*f*	12.50
do. do.	*f*	14.15
do. do.	*f*	12.02

[1] Geertje Bouts's adopted son Stephen, was carried away captive to Canada, by the French, after the destruction of Schenectady.

[2] Pieter Meese Vrooman ?

[3] Kees and Keesie are nicknames for Cornelius.

Curler, a *tinck*, (?)	*f* 39.00
Thomas Janse, two *kooyte*, (?).....	*f* 17.00
Rutger Jacobsen, a *tinck*, (?)	*f* 31.10
Cornelis Vos, do.	*f* 61.10
Curler, two * * a *tinck*, (?).....	*f* 24.00
Cornelis Theunise, a gold, *	*f* 92.00
Robbert Engelse, a piece of gold,.....	*f* 20.13
do. do.	*f* 13.30
Lambert Albertse [Van Neck] do.....	*f* 11.10
Barent Pieterse, [Coeymans] the miller, two * * ...	*f* 26.00
Rut Jacobse, same *	*f* 24.00
do. a cloak,.....	*f* 148.00
Jan Gowen, (?)	*f* 8.00
Cornelis Vos, two napkins, ...	*f* 9.11
Filip Pieterse [Schuyler], 6 napkins,.....	*f* 29.00
Rem Janse [Smit], 4 napkins,.....	*f* 20.10
	f 1349.50

On this 22d day of February, 1655, appeared before me Joannes Dyckman, in the service of, etc., the honorable Jan Labatie and Lambert Van Valkenborgh,[1] who declared, by these presents, at the request of Steven Janse [Coninck], that it is a fact, that these deponents, yesterday evening, were at the house of said Janse, and among other things, saw, while said deponents were at the house of said Steven Janse, Jacob Hendrickse Maat come into the house throwing out many abusive words, whereupon said Janse * * * * a loaded gun he would shoot him through, afterwards going to close the door, Jacob Hendrickse Maat following drew his knife, then Steven Janse exclaimed "Strike with your fists;" which these deponents heard, and also declared that Jacob Hendrickse Maat further abused him with many ungracious words, whilst said Janse was so far as he could be, patient and remained quietly within his house. By this deposition enough has been said about what said Janse was complaining, especially about what was done to him as well within as without his house. This deposition being presented, is of necessity and by request, strengthened by oath.

In acknowledgment of the truth, this is subscribed by their own hands, in Fort Orange, of date aforesaid.

JAN LABATIE.

The mark set by + LAMBERT VAN VALKENBORGH with his own hand.

Which I attest,

JOANNES DYCKMAN.

Appeared before me Pieter Ryverdingh, clerk in the service of the privileged West India company, the honorable Arent Vandenbergh and Hendrick Biermans,[2] who declared, as by these presents they do, at the

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[1] Lambert Van Valkenburgh bought a house and 25 morgens of land in Manhattans, 29 July, 1641.— *Dutch Manuscripts*, II, 121. From thence he removed to Beverwyck, in 1645. By his wife, Annatie, he had two sons, Jochem and Lambert, who settled in Kinderhook. In 1697, his widow was living, but died before 1701, when his heirs owned his house and lot in "ye Voddemark," on the west corner of Green and Beaver streets.— *Annals of Albany*, II, 21; IV, 180.

[2] Hendrck Biermans was collector of the excise in 1657.— *Dutch Manuscripts*.

request of Steven Janse [Coninck], the fact, that these deponents, yesterday evening, the 20th of this month, were tarrying at the house of said Janse, and among other things, saw and heard Jacob Losorecht,[1] utter many abusive words against the aforesaid Janse, and soil (?) a handkerchief of said Janse, exclaiming "Come with me out into the woods, and there, with a gun or guns fight;" whereupon said Losorecht further invited him, Steven, out of doors, and Steven answered that he would fight with fists, "as I am content without sharp fighting," complaining further of violence done in his house. Appearing against the aforesaid Jacob, we being required of necessity, strengthen this by an oath.

This 22d of February, 1655, in Fort Orange.

The mark of × ARENT VANDENBERCH
with his own hand set.
The mark HB of HENDRICK BIERMANS
with his own hand set.

Acknowledged before me,

PR. RYVERDINGH.

Appeared before me Pieter Ryverdingh, clerk, etc., the honorable Ryck Ridders, aged about thirty-seven years, and Klaas Andriese [De Graaf][2] aged about twenty-seven years, who, upon the request of Steven Janse, declared that it is a fact, they were yesterday evening the 21st of this month, at the house of the complainant [Janse], where was present Harmen N.[3] whose surname is unknown; which Harmen uttered many words against the complainant, without said complainant's provoking him thereto; and after many words, said Harmen pulling off his coat wished to strike this complainant in his own house. Stephen aforesaid answered, "Strike on:" After this answer, he went after the officer, complaining of the force and violence used against himself by said Harmen. Appearing against the aforesaid Harmen from necessity and being required to make affirmation with an oath, this is done this 22d of February, 1655, in Fort Orange.

The mark of + RYCK RIDDERSE.
CLAES ANDRIES.

Acknowledged before me,

PIETER RYVERDINGH, Clerk.

On this third day of February, 1654, in the forenoon, appeared before me Joannes Dyckman, in the service of, etc., the honorable Stoffel Janse Abeels, aged about thirty-two years, and Jacob Hendrickse Sibinck,[4] aged about twenty-six years, and testified and declared, as by these presents they do testify and declare, that Jan Verbeeck had said that the fire at the house of Aert Jacobse was set by young Paulus, at another time, by Pieter, the Fleming, and that the said young Paulus had brought some fire by which it was kindled (?).

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[1] Jacob Loserecht, *alias* Maat.

[2] Claas Andriese De Graaf was one of the first settlers of Schenectady. By his wife, Elizabeth Willemse Brouwer, he had a large family of children who settled in and about Schenectady.

[3] By Harmen N. is probably meant Jacob Hendrikse Maat, *alias* Loserecht, of the two previous depositions.

[4] Jacob Hendrikse Sibinck received a patent for a lot in Beverwyck, 25 Oct., 1653.— *Deeds*, i. 195.

Worshipful, valiant, most noble general, and right honorable sirs of the high council of New Netherland:

As the first of May next will be the time when the terms of office of the three persons now serving as commissaries shall have expired, viz: Jan Verbeeck, Jacob Janse Schermerhooren, who last year departed for Holland, and Jan Thomase [Mingael], so to fill up the bench, according to former custom, a nomination is made of a double number of six persons, viz: Philip Pieterse Schuyler, Derrick Janse Croon,[1] Volckert Janse [Douw], Rem Janse [Smit], Evert Wendel and Arent Andriese [Bratt], from whom, if it please your honors of the high honorable court, to elect three persons, for this bench, to supply the places of the aforesaid retiring officers; and our humble petition is, that your honor and the court will please make the election at the aforesaid time, otherwise the bench will be deficient, to the great inconvenience of the people here, and also the honorable company's service; awaiting the same, in the meantime, we pray Almighty God to prosper your honor's and the council's government, and that your counsels may long abide. In the meantime, Heer general and honorable sirs, we remain your honors' humble and trusty servants of the court, at Fort Orange and Beverwyck.

Fort Orange, 30th of March, 1655.

Steven Janse [Coninck] desires to sell, at this sale or auction, the following goods, on these conditions, to wit: The payments shall be made in good merchantable beavers, without any abatement, in the month of May. The buyers shall make said payments, at the time fixed, to Pieter Ryverdingh, who shall receive the money for the aforesaid goods:

To Baehtgen, a ticktack table (*ticktack bort*),	*f*	16.00
Rensselaer, 11 axes (*bylen*),	*f*	9.10
Seger Cornelise, 36lb tobacco,	*f*	25.00
Do. 6 beer glasses,	*f*	6.04
Jan the Jester (?) (*met de boert*), 3 pictures,	*f*	2.00
Henderick Jochemse, a sign,[2]	*f*	3.12
Jacob Adrianse,[3] a gun,	*f*	13 00
Pieter Bout, a canoe (*knoo*),	*f*	35.00
Jan Thomase [Mingael], 3 gutters [for a brewery],	*f*	60.00
Steven Janse, a sow (*soch*),	*f*	17.00
Henderick Gerritse [Van Wie], a hog,	*f*	15.00
Steven Janse, a hog,	*f*	14.00
Huybert the Rogue (?), (*de guyt*), a cask of No. 1 Holland beer,	*f*	41.00
Philip Pieterse [Schuyler], do. No. 2,	*f*	33.00
Willem Pieterse [Van Slyck],[4] a barrel (*ton*) No. 8 Holland beer,	*f*	30.00
Willem Pieterse, No. 9, ditto,	*f*	24.00
Seger Cornelise, a tobacco——,	*f*	2.10

[1] Dirk Janse Croon was appointed magistrate in 1655, and 1658. In 1660, he was superintendent of wells.— *Dutch Manuscripts*, xiv, 199, etc. In 1661, he was probably in Amsterdam.— *English Manuscripts*, xxii, 3.

[2] *Hangbord*, a sign before the door of an inn. It would seem from the sale of his sign, beer, etc., that Coninck at this time retired from the business.

[3] Jacob Adriaense Van Utrecht, *alias* Rademacker.

[4] Willem Pieterse Van Slyck had three sons: Pieter, Dirk, and Tennis, and perhaps Jacob, who settled in the vicinity of Beverwyck and at Kinderhook, and had families.

Jan Verbeeck, cask No. 4 Holland beer,	*f*	24.00
Joan de Hulter, a chest,	*f*	9.10
Huybert the Rogue (*de guyt*),	*f*	2.12
Do. *een troch met een becken*,	*f*	9.01
Young Kees, 3 benches,	*f*	8.10
Joan de Hulter, four hogs at 14 guilders a piece,	*f*	54.00
Anthony De Hooges, a cask of Holland beer,	*f*	24.00
Leendert Philipse [Conyn],[1] a press bed,	*f*	4.00
Doorethe, a book (paid from the brewery),	*f*	16.00

To Jacob from the Flat, a dog, but Andries and Goosen have assumed the debt. Also to Juryan the glazier, two hogs, for 3½ beavers, but Andries Herpertsen and Goosen Gerritse [Van Schaick], must also have money for stones, and the 3½ beavers go as an offset.

Jan Peeck desires to sell at this public sale his two houses, standing and lying in Fort Orange, with the garden thereto belonging, all according to the patent thereof. The houses adjoin on the west the angle of the fort, to the east Arent Van den Bergh; the garden lies to the south of the aforesaid fort, adjoining to the north the Heer Rensselaer, and to the south a public road. *First.*— The person who, as buyer, bids in the same, shall be holden to make the first payment of six hundred guilders, in the month of May, or at furthest, by the end of said month, the half, in current seewant, and the other half, in good beavers. The second payment, being the last, shall be paid before the following May, in the year 1656, the half, in current seewant, and the other half, in beavers as before; on this condition that the person, who bids off the same, shall be holden to furnish sufficient sureties; and failing in that, the property shall again be offered for sale at the charge of the buyer, and what less it shall bring, the buyer shall make good. The seller of the aforesaid houses shall be holden to deliver the garden inclosed in new pales, together with the sand that may be in the cellar of the one house, which he shall build and complete in a proper manner, after which the buyer must order matters himself.

Upon this 14th of April, 1655, Mr. Joannes Dyckman remained the highest bidder, for the sum of sixteen hundred and twenty-seven Carolus guilders, and on the aforesaid conditions hereunder set his usual sign manual; pledging the aforesaid houses and his estate, personal and real, all according to law.

JOANNES DYCKMAN.

We, the undersigned, as principals, stand sureties for the aforesaid Joannes Dyckman, in the purchase of the two houses, according to the conditions, to stand in his stead in case of failure of payment, and to pay

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[1] Leendeert Philipse Conyn, in 1657, owned a house and lot in Beverwyck on the river side, which he still owned in 1676.—*Deeds*, 1, 91, 303. He died in 1704.—*Albany Church Records.* He left sons, Philip and Caspar, and perhaps Jacob.

the aforesaid money; for which we pledge our estates, personal and real, according to law.

Done this 16th of April, 1655, in Beverwyck.

PIETER RYVERDINGH.
EVERT PELS.

As witnesses,
Claes Hendryckse.
Willem Pieterse [*Van Slyck*].

On this the 16th day of April, 1655, appeared before me Pieter Ryverdingh, clerk in the service of, etc., Mr. Joannes Dyckman, who acknowledged that he had sold to Claes Hendrickse [Van Schoonhoven], citizen here, a certain lot adjoining on the south side of Abraham Pieterse [Vosburgh] carpenter, and on the north side Mr. Jacob [De Hinse] chirurgeon, on the east side a common cart road, breadth about six rods eight feet, length ten rods, together with a double garden, Nos. 1 and 2 lying behind the aforesaid lot, with the timber lying there for a house, and the pales for the garden, all delivered free, lot, garden and timber; provided that said Claes Hendrickse, therefor, shall pay the sum of four hundred Carolus guilders, the half in good strung current seewant, and the other half in good whole beavers, under this reservation, that whenever the said Dyckman delivers over the patent for the same, then the promised sum as aforesaid shall be paid without further delay. In acknowledgment of the same, they mutually pledge their respective persons and estates, personal and real, present and future, subjecting the same to the force of all laws and judges. In witness of which, without craft or guile, this is signed with their own hands, on the date aforesaid in Beverwyck.

JOHANNES DYCKMAN.
CLAES HENDRYCKSE.

As witnesses,
Andries Herberts.
Jan Peeck.

Acknowledged before me,

PIETER RYVERDINGH, Clerk.

On this 17th day of April, 1655, appeared before me, Joannes Dyckman, customs officer, etc., in Fort Orange, etc., the honorable Pieter Gellisse Metselaer (mason), at present living at said Fort Orange, who declared that he had appointed and empowered, as by these presents he does appoint and empower, the virtuous Marytgen Jacobse residing on the Prince's canal at Amsterdam, being the subscriber's wife, and his grand uncle, in her husband's name and for his sake to claim, demand and receive all such sums of money as are due to him, for his child's portion, inherited by him from his mother, and further so to do and act as the matter demands, and as the attorney judges wise; the subscriber holding as fixed and irrevocable whatever said attorney, Maritgen Jacobse, has done or shall do herein, as if he were himself present in person.

In witness whereof, this is signed with his own hand, with witnesses hereto called and invited. Done as above. PIETER JELLESSE.

As witnesses,
Andries Herberts.
Pieter Ryverdingh.

Acknowledged before me, JOANNES DYCKMAN.

Their honors of this court desire to farm out, at public sale, to the highest bidder, the tapsters' excise of wine and beer, for the time of twelve months, beginning on the first of May next, on the following conditions, to wit: The collector shall be holden to pay the promised sum quarterly to the honorable court or to their order. This payment shall be made in good strung seewant. It is conditioned that the highest bidder shall be holden to furnish sufficient security for the payment, failing of which, it shall immediately be offered for sale again, at his cost and charge, without any opposition. On this 23d of April, 1655, at Fort Orange, Marcelis Janse became the buyer for the sum of two thousand and thirty guilders upon the foregoing conditions, and Claes Janse (?) and Philip Hendrickse [Brouwer][1] became his sureties, to take his place in case of failure of payment, according to the foregoing conditions, pledging mutually their estates, personal and real, present and future, without exception, and subjecting the same to the force of all laws and judges.

In witness whereof this is mutually signed without craft or guile.

As buyer, MARCELIS JANSE.

As sureties,
Flip Hendricksen.
Claes Janse.

On the 22d day of December, 1655, Adriaen Gerritsen [Papendorp] and Adriaen Van Ilpendam, have in friendship covenanted and agreed in manner following: The aforenamed Adriaen Van Ilpendam has sold his house, lot and garden, with all that is therein fast by earth and nailed, standing and lying in Beverwyck, and promises to deliver them on the first day of August, 1656, with the patent and a proper conveyance, but expressly conditioned, that on the east side about three feet of the lot in front on the street, be sold to Rem Jansen Smit, so that the house of said Rem Jansen may stand on his own ground; for which aforenamed house, lot and garden, Adriaen Gerritse must pay to Adriaen Van Ilpendam, eighteen hundred Carolus guilders, in good merchantable beaver skins, at eight guilders a beaver, as consideration for the house, lot and garden; on the further condition that Adriaen Gerritse may occupy half of the aforesaid house, and cultivate the garden; pledging mutually their persons and estates, personal and real, in subjection to all laws and judges.

In witness of which, two copies of this agreement are made, and without craft or guile signed, of date as above.

ADRIAEN VAN ILPENDAM.
ADRIAEN GERRITSEN.

Rem Jansen, as witness.
Andriese Hendrick, as witness.

On this 28th day of February, 1656, Joachem Wesselse Backer of the one part and Adriaen Van Ilpendam of the other side, have in friendship, covenanted and agreed in manner following: Joachim Backer aforesaid has sold his house, lot and garden standing and lying in Bever-

[1] Philip Hendrikse Brouwer became one of the original proprietors of Schenectady in 1662; the next year he accidentally shot Cornelis Cornelise Swits; in 1664, he died. His wife's name was Elsje Tjerk. He probably left no children. The Brouwers of Schenectady are descended from Wm. Brouwer of Beverwyck.

wyck, and promises to deliver the same to said Van Ilpendam, with a valid conveyance and the patent, when half the payment shall have been made, and he promises also to have a bedstead made at his own expense in the cellar, and to deliver all the shingles needed for the aforesaid house; also some posts as agreed upon to be delivered on the lot, and the buyer may enter into possession of the house, lot and garden, next first of May, for which aforesaid house, lot, etc., the buyer shall be holden to pay to the seller, or to his order, thirteen hundred guilders, half in good merchantable beavers skins, at eight guilders a beaver, and the other half in good strung seewant, and the beavers must be paid before the first of August in this year, and the seewant on the first of April, 1657; hereby mutually pledging their persons and estates, without exception and in subjection to all laws and judges. In acknowledgment of the truth of which, they have signed this without craft or guile, in Beverwyck.

Done as above.

JOCHEM BACKER.
ADRIAEN VAN ILPENDAM.

As witnesses,
J. V. Hamel.
Pieter Loockerman.

I, the undersigned, acknowledge that I have received upon this contract the first payment, to wit, one and eighty beavers, and, in confirmation of the same, have signed this with my own hand, in Beverwyck, this 22d Feb., 1656.

JOCHEM BACKER.

I, the undersigned, acknowledge that I have received on this contract two hundred and two guilders in seewant this 27th April, 1657.

JOCHEM BACKER.

I, the undersigned, Jochem Backer, acknowledge that I am paid in full for this contract by him [Adrian Van Ilpendam]; and I thank him for prompt payment and free him from all claims.

Done in Beverwyck this last day of April.

JOCHEM BACKER.

[Communication from the court at Albany to the director general and council at New Amsterdam.]

* * * * * * * farmed out to the collector, Marcelis Janse, the wine and strong beer excise, at public sale, at the house of Henderick Jochemse, for the time of a whole year commencing on the first of May next, for the sum of two thousand and thirty guilders. We cannot conceal from your honor and the council, that the report has come to our ears, that your honor desires the ordinary excise of wine and beer in the colony, not to be paid to us, but rather to establish them [of the colony] in a position against us; in regard to which therefore your honor and the council will please return a very speedy answer, and in the meantime we have sent and delivered to the court of the colony of Rensselaerswyck the following reply: Reply to the written summons and protestation by the court of the colony of Rensselaerswyck, delivered in

to our court [of Fort Orange and Beverwyck], on Tuesday last; whereupon the court aforesaid have thought good to return this our reply.— Inasmuch as Jan Baptist Van Rensselaer, in the capacity of court of the colony of Rensselaerswyck, has been pleased, through the schout (?) of said Rensselaerswyck, * * * * * * * * [Wanting] the farming out of the wine and beer excise; so it is, that until we can show an order from the right honorable the director general and council of New Netherland, we trust your honor will remain content, for which end, your honor's original written summons and protestation have been sent to the right honorable the director general and council of New Netherland, who will order, in relation thereto, according to their accustomed resolutions; and if your honor desires to learn them he can address himself to our court as having proper authority.

Done in our court of Fort Orange and Beverwyck this 29th of April, 1655.

JOANNES DYCKMAN.
JAN VERBEECK.
PIETER HERTGERTS.
FRANZ BARENTSE PASTOOR.

Upon this the first day of May, 1655, Steven Janse [Coninck] desires to sell, at this public sale, the house formerly belonging to the late Gysbert Cornelise [Van Wesap], as it at present stands, with the kitchen also, and garden, hogspen, and lot of the same, all according to the patent thereof on the following conditions: * * * * * * [Wanting] shall furnish sufficient sureties to the content of the seller, and failing of this, it shall at once be offered for sale again, at the expense of the buyer, and whatever less it comes to be worth shall be made good by the buyer. The payment must be made in the three following installments; the first, within fourteen days, or at least by the end of the month of May, the second next Amsterdam Fairday (*Amsterdamsche Kermis*), and the third, next 1656, also in May; all to be paid in good whole beavers, on the aforesaid conditions without any delay; provided that the buyer or bidder is not to lay claim to the two months' rent due from Pieter the Fleming, who at present occupies the kitchen, but said kitchen shall be delivered on the first of July next, after which the buyer is to regulate matters himself, * * * * * * [Wanting].

On this the third day of May, 1655, I, James Dyckman, in the character of clerk and officer, at the earnest petition of Marcelis Janse, the collector, betook myself to the house of Jacob Adriaense Soogemackelyck.[1] There were present sitting before the door, the following witnesses, Hendrick Reur[2] and Barent Pieterse [Coeymans], the miller, and the aforesaid Gemackelyck himself. It was my earnest request that the collector, Marcelis Janse, should guage his casks according to the farming of the excise [*Verpachtinge*], for which end he had come there. Then I received for an answer from the aforesaid Soogemackelyck that there was

[1] Jacob Adriaense was brother of Pieter Adriaense Soogemackelyck and both innkeepers. They had another surname, Van Woggelum.

[2] Hendrik Janse Reur, was deceased in 1675.— *Deeds*, 1, 273.

another gentleman undertaking it, and he would not permit it, so then I, Joannes Dyckman, before doing anything else, there at the house, before the door, made the following protest: since you, Pieter Andriaense Soogemackelyck, will not permit us to guage the wine and beer you have in your cellar, in the name of the right honorable director general and council of New Netherland, I protest that all the damage and expense which the honorable company and collector may suffer shall fall upon your person. * * * * * * * * [Some lines wanting] Steven Janse [Coninck] and also a person whose name I could not tell, from whom, on my friendly request for an answer, I received the like answer as Pieter Adriaense Soogemackelyck gave me; whereupon I departed again with the like protest and betook myself to the house of Adriaen Janse Van Leyden, finding him and his wife at home, I received the same answer as the other gentlemen gave; he expressly refused to give permission for the guaging, * * * * so I protested against him word for word as I had done against the others.

Fort Orange, this 4th of May, 1665.

JOHANNES DYCKMAN.
MARCELYS JANSEN, Collector.

* * * * [Wanting]. I, Anthonys de Hooges, acknowledge that I have sold to Volckert Janse [Douw] the west portion of my lot extending behind the house of the buyer aforesaid for a certain sum of money to my satisfaction, the length of the aforesaid part, being ten and a half and the breadth four rods, and I therefore so convey and release the same to and for the behoof of Volckert Janse, with such ownership and possession as were granted to me and others without making any pretension of right, claim, or authority to the same from this time forth.

As witness my hand here subscribed in Beverwyck this 5th of May, 1655.

ANTONIUS DE HOOGES.

I, Joannes Dyckman, customs officer and vice director in Fort Orange, and village of Beverwyck, having seen the above standing conveyance, promise that I will procure that Volkert Janse shall shortly be furnished with a patent *in debita forma*, for said lot of ground, ten and a half rods in length, and four rods in breadth.

Done as above,

JOANNES DYCKMAN.

Worshipful, valiant and most noble sir, and right honorable gentlemen of the council of New Netherland. General and right honorable sirs:

Our last to your honors was of date the 29th of April last, but to our great surprise, although a continual south wind has been blowing, no answer to the same has been received, notwithstanding the urgent letter that we wrote respecting the farming of the excise, about which the collector, as is proper, at the first opportunity, * * * or other like heavy claim makes, of which the honorable president and clerk of this court will give your honors minuter information by word of mouth, what treatment his honor [the collector] met with from the innkeepers dwelling without the limits [of the village of Beverwyck], who would by no means permit the guaging of their liquors, whereupon nothing

more has been done, than in the presence of the collector, Marcelis Janse, to protest against the same in the names of your honors, as your honors shall be particularly shown in writing. Now it is so, that in case we do not receive the support of your honors in this matter, we shall not only be a by-word, but of little esteem in consequence thereof. We can but hope, therefore, that your honors will, in proper time, put in execution your former resolutions. . How needful a secretary is here requires * * * * * [wanting], being a sober and fit person to relieve his honor, the clerk[1], since his honor declines longer to serve here (?), of which his honor, by word of mouth, will give your honors an explanation, for his honor, confined to his house, is no longer fitted to perform the office of secretary in a community so greatly multiplied. Diverse complaints reach us, of those, who, last year furnished your honors with money, in a time of need, asking restitution and payment, for examples, Hendrick Jochemse, Willem Bout, and others; your honors will please, according to promise, make payment thereof, or confirm the writing relating to the same, to which end the original requisition, the said honorable custom officer takes with this, and further will so do and act therein as we have given order. Our humble petition is that your honors will give a favorable hearing, and also will please grant it to us speedily; and further referring you to his honor [the custom officer], for a verbal report respecting the condition of things up here; in the meantime, general and right honorable sirs of the council, we pray Almighty God your honors' counsels to bless and prosper more and more, and remain your honors' faithful servants of the court of Fort Orange and Beverwyck.[2]

Fort Orange, 10 April, 1655.

* * * [Wanting] of the court of Rensselaerswyck, delivered the following petition: The court of the colony of Rensselaerswyck, understanding that from the fight between Steven Janse [Coninck] and Jacob Hendrickse Maet, there exists just reasons and motives, in the matter of their bounden duty, to be vigilant and watchful in the administration of justice, the offense being such, that Steven Janse was struck in the left side with a knife in the hand of Jacob Janse [Hendrickse] aforesaid in such a manner that he was redeemed from *periculum vitæ*, and that said Maet was committed in the jurisdiction of the aforesaid colony. So it is that they [of the court of Rensselaerswyck] send a friendly request to the honorable court of Fort Orange and Beverwyck, who have proposed the matter that they will please detain the aforesaid Jacob Hendrickse under their honors' jurisdiction, and put him into the hands of our officer, to be disposed of only according to his crime, and to do with his person as shall be found in accordance with the laws: this request of theirs being founded on a reciprocal accommodation and duty in case a like occurrence should happen on their side; their honors also not being ignorant that such is a mutual obligation of all (principal associated) courts, they wait for a speedy resolution and answer to this, inasmuch as danger comes from delay.

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[1] Johannes Dyckman, whose health failing, he retired from the office and became insane.

[2] This is the last paper recorded by Joannes Dyckman, in these records.

Done at the session of their honors of the aforesaid colony this 2d of July, 1655. *Presentibus ut in registro.* Lower stood by order of the same.[1]

A. De Hooges, Schout and Secretary.

* * * * * [Wanting] reading as follows: the court of Fort Orange and the village of Beverwyck, having seen and examined the request made to them by the court of the colony of Rensselaerswyck, return as answer thereto, that they are sufficient of themselves as they have always shown, and with a like desire for the maintenance of justice are inspired, and moreover shall not stand idle. On the contrary, their duty shows that the person of Jacob Hendrickse Maat, in case he shall be found in their jurisdiction, must be apprehended and taken under the keeping of justice, placed and confined in a secure place, until such time as the state and condition of the patient Steven Janse [Coninck], shall have taken a favorable or unfavorable turn, in order that he may then be dealt with as justice and right may demand In meantime their honors [of the Court of Fort Orange] testify their pleasure, that the court aforesaid [of Rensselaerswyck] show themselves lovers, and affect the maintenance, of justice.

Done at the session of their honors aforesaid, on the 7th of July, A.D. 1655. *Presentibus omnibus.*

By order of the same,

J. De Deckere,[2] 1655.

* * * * [Wanting] by the schout, made to secretary Johan de Deckere, in order that certain persons, dwelling under our jurisdiction, may be brought by our constable, before the tribunal and court of Rensselaerswyck, are answered as follows: Your request, sent to me this morning, is, I acknowledge, in some cases wholly founded in justice and right, also some cases may occur, where the concession sought for with good reason should be withheld, unless the reasons, occasion and question were made known to us, why one dwelling under our jurisdiction should properly appear before your honor's court and there be tried. We request, therefore, that your honors will afford us, by the bearer, the occasion for this demand of yours, that having found reasons for refusal the same may be adhered to, or otherwise renounced, being content under similar circumstances to regulate our conduct in the like manner. *Vale.*

Done this 7th July, 1655.

J. De Deckere, 1655.

* * * * * [Wanting]. Immediately after our arrival here, we composed and promulgated a certain placard, a copy of which accompanies this; the effects we await with more patience than hope, as yet seeing nothing more than a superficial cure, because the disease (in my opinion), has grown old and penetrated to the bone. As it respects the

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[1] The last paper was dated the 10th of April, from which date till July 2d, the village appears to have been without a secretary. The above is the first paper recorded by Secretary De Deckere.

[2] For an account of Jan De Decker, see O'Callaghan's *History of New Netherland*, ii, 304, note. He remained in Fort Orange, as vice director one year, and then returned to New Amsterdam.

person of Dyckman, we consider him, according to the report of the deputy, in a miserable posture, it is doubtful, which is most impeded, his understanding or speech; at all events he is absolutely unfitted to attend to civil, or judicial matters. As to the salary and hundred guilders for maintenance, received by Dyckman, I hope to be allowed the same, and request some evidence or acts that I may receive it. Johan de Hulter, on Tuesday last, the 2nd (?) of July, having appeared before the magistrates, asked for letters of recommendation to your honors, to the end that they would please make and publish a placard, for the prohibition, reformation and checking of the insolence, opposition and disobedience of his servants in particular, and of others in general, complaining and testifying that they are great and intolerable.

* * * * * [Wanting]. I request that some paper be sent, having hitherto used other folk's as my own, also four quires (?), in restitution of what the constable says he has used. According to order I have boarded at the house of pastor Schaets, for six guilders a week; I request a warrant by which the same may be paid. Herewith, worshipful sir, I commend you to the protection of the Almighty.

Fort Orange, the—— of July, 1655.

On the 23d day of July, 1655, I, Johan de Deckere, in the character of clerk and officer, at the request of Marcelis Janse, collector, assisted by our constable, betook myself to the house of Jacob Adriaensen Soogemackelyck,[1] and requested him to please let the collector make a proper guaging of the wine and beer he had in possession. Whereupon the aforesaid Soogemackelyck gave me as an answer, that he could not serve two masters, and also that it was forbidden him. Since nothing else can be done at this time, I, Johan de Deckere, have made the following protest. As you, Pr. Adriaensen Soogemackelyck, will not permit us to guage the wine and beer in your cellar * * * * [wanting] in the name and behalf of the honorable the director general and high council in New Netherland, for all the expense, damage and interest which the honorable company and the collector have been put to and suffered through your refusal, and by your perseverance therein shall cause them to suffer, that upon your person and those who may have ordered the same, such a punishment may be rendered as shall be proper. And in the act of making this protest, there appeared the person of Jan Baptist Van Rensselaer, accompanied by his brother and Brant Van Slechtenhorst,[2] who having been informed of the reasons of my coming there, said that I did not appear there with proper qualifications, demanded the same of me, and declared that unless the same were shown he would not permit the guaging, on the other hand, if the same were shown, the guaging should immediately be allowed; also that it was not according to forms of law, or the custom of soldiers, without previously notifying the person, as if boarding a vessel; that before they were brought to the knowledge thereof, they might have armed themselves against the same. So, in like manner, on this occasion, I have protested against the same as before.

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[1] From the manner in which the names of Jacob and Pieter Adriaensen Soogemackelyck are associated in this protest, it would seem that they were in partnership.

[2] For an account of Brant Van Slechtenhorst, director of Rensselaerswyck, see O'Callaghan's *History of New Netherland*, ii, p. 69.

As before, by request, I betook myself to the house of Maria Gossense [Van Schaick], and made the aforementioned demand of her; she made the same kind of answer as Soogemackelyck did before. Accordingly I protested against her as before. * * * * [Wanting] at the house of Arien Appel, and to him made the same demand. He gave for an answer, that he dare not take it upon him. Therefore I protested against him also as before.

Done on the 23d July.

J. De Deckaan, 1655

Marcelys Janse.

Worshiptul, valiant and most noble Heer general, and right honorable sirs of the council, etc. My lords:

Herewith is sent a copy of a placard, which was referred to in a former letter, but omitted; there goes also with this a copy of certain questions and answers, and the protest made thereto; from which the condition of things may easily be judged and considered, and that without your honors, nothing more can be done by us for the maintenance of order. Therefore we shall await, in respect to this matter, for advice or the pleasure of your arrival. In the meantime, Heer general and right honorable sirs, may Almighty God grant his favor and blessing upon your honors' government.

We remain your honors' humble servants.

* * * * [Wanting]. Most noble Heer general and right honorable sirs of the council of New Netherland. My lords:

With the expiration of the service of commissaries Jan Verbeeck and Jan Tomasse [Mingael], according to old custom and use, we think it proper to propose to your honors herewith, a double number of persons, to wit: Rut Jacobsen, Andries Herbertsen, Dirk Janse Croon, and Dirk Talyer (?). We request, that you will please out of the said proposed number, or otherwise out of the body of the burgesses, two such persons to elect in place of the aforenamed, according to your honors accustomed wisdom, for the service of the aforesaid office of commissaries, as you shall judge fit and capable. Heer general, we cannot neglect this opportunity to congratulate your honor on your safe and happy voyage and arrival; we protest that the report and tidings of them were very pleasant for us to hear; it gave us occasion to thank Almighty God therefor, and to pray, that He would please more and more be present by His grace in your honors' government, and bless your honors' weighty affairs.

Your honors' willing and trusty servants of the court of Fort Orange and Beverwyck.

30th of July, 1655.

* * * * * [Wanting] nevertheless afterwards being in discourse with Dominie Schaets, and from him understanding that the poor's purse was richly garnished, I particularly requested him in your honors' name, for the remission of some alms, with the recommendation that the church consistory should propose the same, it being a point that the power only depends on them, wherein he was wholly agreed, and consented that it was in the highest degree proper that to the poor with-

out distinction, the helping hand should be stretched out; accepting his authority to be used therein with the consistory, and having delivered over to him an extract out of the letter relating to this point, it was allowed by the consistory, and a sum of 200 guilders was sent to the deacons of the city of New Amsterdam. The last matter to dispatch, about the disobedient tapsters, is the most scandalous; some being willing rather to fight to the last drop of blood, and others * * * that those persons should be sent away. In the mean while with this explanation (since winter is upon us), we shall wait till the next year. Mons. Rensselaer desires to send a pleasant greeting; he has as yet threshed no corn, on the contrary appears not inclined to do so. Thomas Chambers,[1] *alias* Clabbort (so it was reported), has indeed several hundred schepels of wheat; but on account of his absence at the Esopus he cannot be spoken to. Wherefore, on his return, the business can be arranged, and a vessel dispatched also. Your worship may look for the grain ordered, or at least a part of it. In place of the 4000 ordered not more than 2050 pantiles were sent, there being no more at present to be had; these were all sold to a third person, who not being able to get them off, threw up the purchase. The matters intrusted to Sander Leendertse [Glen] should have been dispatched by this time, except that in respect to the contemplated blockhouse of necessity to be set up and used, those of the respective courts ordered that it should be delivered again by Sander Leendertse to your honor next spring (God willing), or a contract and agreement be made with him on account thereof. Yesterday the *gesondeur*, Mr. Oldaten (?), arrived. I wish your honor had given order for more provisions, indeed I see not, who will help us to meat (for all have been called upon), and from what magazine to draw rations for them; and though I well remember that your honor has given recommendation in this respect to the magistrates, and letters have been received by them, and excellent promises made; nevertheless I also observe that they make a mere show of favorable inclination, and a superficial acceptance of short duration; and at once the major part as soon as your honor is lost sight of, will artfully get rid of their * * and thrust the weight upon my neck (who have no remedy therefor or any means in hand); howbeit it is just what commonly happens with such shabby commissaries, having been too long in the world, your honor, not to have experienced the proof thereof at some time; nevertheless I shall do whatever is granted me within my short reach, and whatever shall fall within my capacity. There came here about 300 Mohawks, proposing (*ut aiunt*) to go to fight against the French Indians, in the meantime a a vessel (?) has set sail and the watch is doubled. What conversation was had with them to-day, your honor can perceive from the annexed document. * * * * * [Wanting] the magistrate must allow (although *contra mandatum*), and thought highly needful to make a demand on the farmer of the excise for one or two hundred guilders, to be used for the purchase of wood and lights for the use of the watch, together with some food for the soldiers as necessity shall demand. The aforesaid Clabbort[2] is here also to-day; on his arrival, I

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[1] For an account of Thomas Chambers, see O'Callaghan's *History of New Netherland*, ii, 391, note.

[2] Thomas Chambers.

spoke to him and asked for the said wheat; C. said, however, he did not believe he had it to spare. I see no chance elsewhere for doing anything. Herewith, worshipful sir, I commend myself to your honor's favor and yourself to that of Almighty God. To conclude, I am sir, etc.

Done 19th of November, 1655.

Propositions made by certain sachems (*sachimacs*) of the Mohawks before the clerk and those of the respective courts of Fort Orange and the colony of Rensselaerswyck, together with some burghers on the 19th of November, 1655.

Present.— *J. De Decker, Rutger Jacobsen, Andries Herpertsen, Volckert Jansc (Douwe), J. Bp^t Van Rensselaer, A. Van Curler, J. Van Twiller, J. Hap* [or *Stoll*], *H. Jochemse, Philip Pr^es* [*Schuyler*], *etc.*

The first proposition was a remembrance of the late affairs, and a renewal of harmony and peace, including the French nation, together with the river Indians at the Esopus. Also they said they should go to war with the French Indians, and suspected the French of being opposed to their treaty, and their promises of being mingled with many lies; hence their request was, that we would keep ourselves quiet and show neutrality. Thereupon they laid down a belt of seewant. The second and third proposals were in form of a complaint, that we did not entertain them in such a manner as they entertained us when visiting their land. * * * * [Wanting] that we did not provide the least thing for and mend their guns or other things, except they were asked payment and seewant therefor; with other trifles of the like kind: they held that it was not altogether brotherly. Hereupon they gave two bundles or belts of seewant.

Answer to the aforesaid propositions.

To the firstthat we were inclined as yet and at all times to maintain with their chiefs a renewal of peace, faithfully and without breach, that we could do nothing having an opposite appearance, and recommended that they on their side should remain faithful, suggesting that with their fights and wars we should not meddle or concern ourselves as being external to, and not concerning us. Hereupon were given them fifteen bars of lead. On the second complaint that we did not entertain and satisfy them as fully as they did us [we answered], that if one two, or three of them came as we did they should be properly lodged and accommodated, but that justice and law provided in this respect that none should be compelled to do so, since every person being free, must earn his own maintenance, and that no one was holden to be another's servant for nothing, that such being the custom among us, no more complaints were to be made about it, as our other brothers did. Whereupon there was laid down and presented to them 25 pounds of gunpowder: all of which with their customary barbarian applause they received and accepted.

Done *ut supra.*

J. De Decker, 1655.

Most noble, worshipful, valiant and right honorable Heer general:

Since my last intelligence delivered orally by Andries Herpertsen, touching the offenses of the tapsters, to me recommended and given in charge, that your honor [it being your purpose to come hither] should think it

useless to begin the execution of my order and commission; the written countermand thereof has been received, causing me to doubt and stand in suspense till such time as your honor, in answer to this, shall have further declared his meaning and wishes. In the meantime inasmuch as your honor's written order continues in existence, I request more enlarged commissions, or at least instructions how to conduct myself in case of certain opposition, resistance, or affront which I suspect will happen. Provided your honor will appear with the first open water, you shall not for the present be troubled with any particular complaints, but they shall be postponed till then. I am teased by divers other [persons] and lately have been spoken to and petitioned by the wife of Dyckman, for some aid in her distress, for the settling with certain traders for provisions; I protest that I have no opportunity or means at hand from which to help her. But if your honor forbids any money to be levied from the farmer of the excise, we ourselves shall suffer from the like destitution. Your honor will first make known the same, and give an order to levy fifty, sixty or an hundred guilders out of the farmer's money, for this purpose, or inform me what is to be done. I desire also, that an authentic copy of the instructions for the subaltern bench of justice be made and sent to me.

Herewith most noble, etc., Heer general, kissing your hand, I remain your worship's humble servant.

10th January, 1656.

Worshipful, noble, valiant, wise and right honorable Heer general and right honorable sirs of the council:

All are here, God be praised, also the thirty Dutchmen, who, as rumor had it at Manhatans, were slaughtered, still live, and the report of the same post or messenger, of the infraction of the peace and the commencement of war between the two nations, is false. Heer general and right honorable council, as nothing material has occurred just now, I shall make no further complaints, especially as your worship proposes to arrive by the first open water. Only all are very desirous to understand the condition of things there, the news about which, by the bearer, we shall anxiously await. In the meantime we wish your worship and the right honorable council, a happy and more prosperous new year. We hope on the one hand that with the old year shall cease all sad rumors, adversities and calamities, and on the other hand that with the new year the rod of God's wrath shall also be cast into the fire, and at once with general tranquillity, prosperity and wealth be renewed. To this end we supplicate the Court of Heaven, that the divine Majesty will please to preside as well in the assemblies of the burgomasters, as of your worship and right honorable council, and that He will inspire the spirit of prudence, wisdom and manly valor, and also bless their designs and expeditions with desired prosperity (?) to the glory especially of His holy name, and the welfare of this province and the inhabitants of the same. Herewith Heer general and honorable sirs, we remain your worship's faithful servants of the court of Fort Orange and Beverwyck.

16 January, 1656.

Worshipful, valiant and honorable Heer General and right honorable sirs of the council:

On the ninth of September last, your honors' letters with the accompanying placard came to hand, which, having examined, it was thought proper to publish two of them, viz: those for the combination of separate dwellings, and the farming out of the duties on peltries, the third relating to the duties, or payment of the twentieth penny on slaughtered animals, hogs, etc., we have for pregnant reasons withheld, judging it to be unreasonable to publish the same, it being apparent at this conjuncture of time, and on the occasion of excessive expense which the community has incurred or shall hereafter incur by reason of the building of the fort, blockhouse and other works connected with the same, together with the ransoming of prisoners; that nothing less than murmurs, opposition, and resistance would arise; which we trust will be considered and examined by your honors with due deliberation. For the purpose of meeting the aforesaid expense, we convened the community, causing them to stand within, one by one, and inciting them to a free contribution, which ended to our reasonable contentment; upon the unwilling we imposed a certain tax. We have built a blockhouse according to resolution, ... feet square, and about a man's stature in height; receiving a communication from four qualified supervisors (*gemeensmannen*) that they desired to have it pulled down, and in place of it, contracted for a house with entablatures (*gebinten*), the size of which and the reasons for it, the bearers of this, Sander Leendertse [Glen], and Dirck Janse Croon, our assistants and fellow commissaries, will inform your honors and what is pertinent thereto; further recital is therefore unnecessary. Wherefore we are necessitated and forced to find some new source of taxation; though to make the best of it, together with the first [tax] it cannot reach farther than a bare subsistence: we would petition your honors therefore, to solicit and dispose the inhabitants of the city of New Amsterdam to a liberal contribution for the building of a church began here by us, and truly will they less doubt and mistrust this, inasmuch as on the like and other occasions, and especially in regard to the church there, we and our citizens gave and contributed according to our ability. From your communication can easily be perceived the uncertainty of your worship's coming up, which we earnestly request, and esteem the presence of your honor's person and the influence of greater authority highly needful, and especially is it demanded for the introduction of new imposts, and chiefly in reference to opposing factions whose shoulders are unaccustomed to such burdens. Herewith goes a copy of a certain placard against the congregation of certain persons of the Lutheran sect, published and executed by us against the transgressors and disobedient; we will await your earliest approbation, and otherwise request your honors' wise advice, how we must conduct ourselves on such an occasion.

Herewith, Heer general and right honorable sirs, we pray God to prosper and bless your honors' government, and remain your honors' trusty and faithful court of Fort Orange and Beverwyck.

Done at Fort Orange, 10th of March, 1656.

Worshipful, valiant and honorable Heer general, and right honorable sirs of the council:

The time having come again, that three of the existing commissaries, S. Leendertse [Glen], Frans Barentse Pastoor, and Volckert Janse [Douwe], according to custom, ought to be dismissed from their office, so, likewise, in accordance with the same custom, we desire to nominate and propose to your honors, a double number, viz: Abram Staets, Jacob Janse Schermerhoorn, Goosen Gerritse [Van Schaick], Philip Prse. Schuyler, Cornelis Teunise Bos, and Evert Wendel, to the end that your honors will choose from the same, two others as ordinary, and one as extraordinary commissaries, as may be esteemed fittest according to your usual wise discretion and judgment. We are much surprised, that no answer to our last letter, at least none on the subject of our expected collection there, has been received by us, indicating good success for it; in respect to the contracting for the Blockhouse church, and the excessive expenses for the same, * * * * our expectation and hope in the commencement having been very greatly set thereon, in case of a failure of the same, we should be very much confounded and distressed; even if everything should turn out for the best, it would be very difficult to collect the remainder from the church here. Will your honors please to recollect the next article of our instructions; and if ever orders ought to be carried into effect, these certainly, on this occasion, would bring forth good results, and be accomplished in the right time. Your honors cannot be ignorant of the fact, that the consumption of wine and beer here ought immediately to be farmed out, without any communication respecting the same having hitherto been received; in consequence of this we are uncertain how to regulate ourselves. It is true that the clerk, Johan de Deckere, by a special mandate, given to him by the Heer general, has reported to us that the payment of the excise should not be suspended, but continued according to the order of the collector thereon; likewise that no new farming out of the excise was to be made before the arrival of the Heer general or committee, with a recommendation, besides, to the collector, to keep a record of the wine and beer, consumed both in the colony, and in our jurisdiction; to which, your honors, we would object, that it is uncertain whether the collector will accept of, or acquiesce in, the aforesaid continuation; and, if he would, it must be done on the foregoing conditions and extension, which has not been done by him hitherto, and would require no little knowledge and exertion to carry out. Moreover, about three hundred guilders, not to be retained, have been paid by him on the promised excise money to relieve him from the promised conditions (?). * * At present, and before the close of the term [of the excise], it is impossible for any more money to be paid (so he says), arising from a registering of the beer, etc., consumed by the three public tapsters, Soogemackelyck, Marg. Goosens [Van Schaick], and Arien Jans Van Leyden, but is more reduced than the remainder of the excise money would amount to, wherefore, according to what he says, no money should come into his hands, so that the aforesaid continuation in the future, would cause and bring forth nothing, but a mere pretense. If, on the contrary, the collector shall decline or refuse the aforesaid registry, and further, if the honorable clerk, De Deckere, be impracticable, then your honors' orders, highly necessary in respect to that, or what is much better, your worship's immediate arrival in person, will be waited for and

expected. Herewith, etc., your honors' obedient and faithful servants of the court of Fort Orange and Beverwyck.

Sent the 8th of April, 1656.

Noble, worshipful, valiant, wise, and right honorable sirs. Gentlemen:

In accordance with your honors' order to apprehend and positively to send away the public tapsters, Pr Ariensen, *alias* Soogemackelyck, and Arien Janse Van Leyden, the business was so directed by me, that the aforesaid Pr Ariensen had notice to come to my house, and, of course, was detained; I guarded him with some soldiers till evening, when Jan Baptist Van Rensselaer, with the *schout* of the colony, appeared before me, requesting that the prisoner might be set free, on representation that he, Rensselaer, was ready to interpose and answer for him; which by me, being declined, I was asked if he (the *intervenient*) was not considered sufficient; my answer was that his sufficiency or insufficiency was not disputed, but that my order was simply to send the prisoner away, and that if he wished to answer for him, he could do so; finally he requested *ilico et stante pede* a copy of my order and commission, but this was denied him; whereupon threatening (?) me with divers mischiefs, etc., he delivered a protest and therewith departed. This day being Wednesday, I sent the sloop (*jacht*) to the other side of the river, and, with Rutger Jacobsen, having examined the boards, I was with the sloop's boat, for some tools for the vessel and for my own service, having likewise two soldiers to keep up a constant watch; rowed to the fort again to catch in the trap the rat who had as yet not been taken; in the meantime, let the men on sloop busy themselves loading the boards; the plan, hitherto so successful, was, by the disobedience and carelessness of those boobies, the boatmen and soldiers, to my extreme distress and vexation, shamefully spoiled. *Firstly.*—By the boatmen, who came to me in the evening insisting on the boat, saying that it was necessary for getting in the rest of the boards in a proper manner at night, so I, crediting them, yielded, with the express and reiterated order nevertheless, that the boat, before the next morning, at least by day break, should be brought to the fort, my intention being to carry the prisoner then, immediately, to the sloop; in the meantime, that he might be well watched and securely kept, I made him sleep in my bed and by my side; but inquiring in the morning, I could hear of neither boat nor boatmen, without which I could not get to the sloop unless some other vessel was at hand. Owing to the carelessness of the three soldiers and my nigger, to whom the keeping and watch were intrusted, he was suffered in their presence to run away. I was made aware of his escape, and speedily was at the heels of the fugitive, and it would not have been in vain, except that he retired and took refuge in the house of the aforesaid Rensselaer: nevertheless, I addressed him there, and admonished him to go back with me, otherwise it would go hard with him; yet he refused, but said if I took the other tapsters, then he would willingly go with me; on the other hand, came Johannes Van Twiller, also (Rensselaer not being at home, but with some of his companions last night at the house of Arian Janse [Van Leyden] had watched with their guns and awaited my coming there), and asked what I wanted there; my answer was, that I wished to bring the prisoner away from there; he replied, that that should by no means be; being alone and having no help nor soldiers there present, and not seeing how I could conveniently

succeed, I returned again to my house. I judge it to be in the highest degree absurd, that there should be an asylum in the midst of our jurisdiction for fugitives, and a free place for other abuses and usurpations, as have now lately existed in regard to De Hulter's widow, who, whilst dwelling in our fort, would hold a public sale of some wood without consulting me therein, and regardless of my rights with respect to the payment of the auction fees, whereupon a registry and interdict being made to her, to hold no public sale in our jurisdiction without consulting me, or having paid my just dues, yet said widow, notwithstanding, held the aforesaid sale, without consulting me, in the church, or at the house of the aforesaid Rensselaer, which and other impertinences and violences will the more exist in the future, not so much through the impulse of the people themselves, as indeed through the inducements and persuasions of certain bullies and boasters who have the management of the colony [of Rensselaerswyck], unless a fitting and timely order be made therefor by your honors, according to your wise discretion. I should have repaired to the house of Arien Janse Van Leyden to-day, with proper assistance, except that the aforesaid Rensselaer (such hypocrisy is indeed suspicious) came to my house yesterday evening, saying that if I would keep quiet, he would be answerable for the aforesaid persons, and, with the first sloop to Manhatans, would go thither; considering that there was not much danger in this, and moreover that some of them had escaped, I acquiesced in the proposal, leaving the disputes with the other people to your honor. The bellweathers being there, your honor understands that the public tapsters and others, who have not been as yet taken, must appear there also. Be pleased to send up more soldiers, and among them one or two who are not nice about taking hold of a man, that the people may be intimidated by numbers, and all bloodshed and mischief may be prevented. I have spoken to Dyckman's wife, and requested to have her husband sent to Manhatans, to go to Holland on the war ship, which she could hardly make up her mind to, inclining to speak about the matter herself with your honor, perceiving which, I advised her that the sooner she does it the better, and to take her husband with her, where she will learn the time thereof [departure]. In the meantime having commended your honor to the protection and defense of the Almighty, with my respects, I conclude, as your honor's humble servant.

Sent the 26 of May, 1656.

In accordance with the command and order, of date 13th of May last, to me, the subscriber, given and granted, by the director general, Petrus Stuyvesant, to apprehend, and securely to send away, the persons of Pieter Adriaensen, *alias* Soogemackelyck, and Arien Janse Van Leyden, both tapsters, I, Johan De Deckere, clerk at Fort Orange, on the 24th following, brought the person of said Soogemackelyck to my house and detained him there; through the carelessness of certain soldiers, to whose keeping he was intrusted, he escaped the following day and fled: in the meantime, watching for an opportunity to apprehend in like manner the aforesaid Arien Janse, this evening Mr. Jan Baptist Van Rensselaer came to my house and put the question, whether I would keep quiet and not send away said tapsters, if so, he promised, in such case, personally to repair to Manhatans, by the first sloop, declaring that the aforesaid persons were guiltless, as it was through his persuasion, and moreover that

he would be answerable for them, which was acquiesced in by me for the following reasons: *First.*—Because the aforesaid Soogemackelyck, having fled, would perhaps remain away for some time. *Second.*— From fear of shedding blood; because, as was reported, the aforesaid Rensselaer, with some of his colleagues, passing the night watching at the house of said Arien Janse, waited and watched for my coming there, from which it is easy to see what might follow. And *Lastly.*— In consequence of the aforesaid free proposal, considering that the commotion, whilst they were in durance, the outworkings also of their desires, would indeed be put to rest and subjection. Notwithstanding this, on the 29th of this month, having received a certain letter from the said director general, of the date 23d of May, past, containing a renewal of my aforesaid order to send away also besides the aforesaid two persons, Marg. Goossens [Van Schaick]; so I, Johan De Deckere aforesaid, in conformity to the aforesaid reiterated order and commission, followed by three soldiers and the afternamed witnesses, found myself before the house of Marg. Goossens, but the door not being opened, from thence, I repaired to the houses of Pieter Ariensen and Arien Jansę Van Leyden, and there finding the aforesaid Rensselaer with his colleagues, together with the *schout* and secretary of the colony [of Rensselaerswyck], and in the presence of them all, in the name and behalf of the director general and council of New Netherland, I warned, admonished and commanded the aforesaid tapsters, immediately, to go with me, and commit themselves into my hands and keeping; whereupon they separately answered as before, "There sits my lord," pointing to the aforesaid Rensselaer, "who will answer for me;" and said Rensselaer, in like manner acquiesced in the same, not suffering the tapsters to go with me. Whereupon, I, the clerk aforesaid, as well against the aforesaid Rensselaer and colleagues, as against said tapsters, respectively, in the name, etc., as before, protested in respect to all costs, damage and interests, which the honorable [W. I.] company, through their opposition, disobedience and non-compliance with the excise, have suffered, and may hereafter suffer, to be reclaimed and recovered, as shall be found reasonable.

Done and protested on the 31st day of May, 1656, in presence of Rutger Jacobsen, Andries Herpertsen, and Jacob Schermerhooren, as witnesses hereto invited.

J. De Deckere, 1656.

According to the order and mandates of the director general and council of New Netherland, of date 28th of June, 1656, to Mr. Rensselaer and those of the court of the colony [of Rensselaerswyck], to request that the placard, respecting the tenths, may be published in the colony, I, Johan De Deckere, chief clerk at Fort Orange, repaired with the afternamed witnesses, to the session and meeting of the court aforesaid, and said order introduced in the name, etc., as before, and requested, that they would please cause said placard to be published among them, as was done by us; whereupon Mr. Rensselaer answered: "We are not obligated, we and mine cannot grant it."

Thus done, introduced and answer received on the 6th of July, 1656, in presence of Rutger Jacobsen, and Dirk Janse Croon, as witnesses to this invited.

J. De Deckere, 1656.

[End of Johan De Deckere's record of official acts.]

[The following record was made by Joannes Dyckman.]

[1657], the 20th of June, J. de Kaper [the privateer (?)], with 2,000 beavers, sent down from here.

the 25th,	Klaes This, with about,....	1,500		
the 28th,	Pieter Jacobse [Vosburgh], with,.....	1,500		
2nd July,	Lucas Andriese, with,.....	1,500		
"	Klaas Bordin,.....	1,400		
10th "	[Adrian Janse] De Fries,...	300		
10 "	Johannes Verbruggen,.....	3,000		
			8,400 =	[11,200.]
	Ditto, ...	300	Otters.	
12th "	.....	1,800		
"	Jan de Kaper,.....	300		
		1,000		
18th "	Abraham Staas,.....	1,900		
"	Lucas Andriese,.....	3,000		
20th "	Reucke,.....	1,000		
"	Aryaen Klaes [Vryman],[1]	70		
27 "	Derik Wessils [Ten Broeck],	5,000		
			14,070 =	[17,370.]
1st Aug.,	Michiel de Karreman (the Carter),.....	1,000		
2 "	Eevert Pels,.....	2,000		
"	Claes Thys,.....	1,800		
6 "	Claes Bordin,.....	200		
"	Hans Karel [Noorman],....	2,300		
"	Lucas Andriese,.....	250		
10 "	Dr. Abraham Staes,.....	2,000		
14 "	Abraham Du Triu [Truax],	120		
			9,670	
25 "	Abraham Staes,.....	300		
"	Evert Pelss,.....	100		
30 "	Michiel de Karreman,.....	400		
"	De Fries,.....	300		
1 Sept.,	Hans Kaerlse,.....	100		
3 "	Jan de Kaper,.....	400		
"	Pieter Jacobse,.....	300		
8 "	Jan Van Bremen,.....	300		
27 "	Jan Jostensse,.....	400		
"	Jan Van St. Aubin,.....	100		
			[2,700.]	

[Total, 40,940 beavers.]

[1] In 1654, Arian Claes was wounded by Jacob Clomp Baroquier, in a tavern affray.—*Deeds*, II, 49, 50.

[Memoranda by Johannes Dyckman, secretary, etc.]

N.B. A laborer of Elbert de Goyer * * * * compromised with me for sixty guilders, for which Willem Frederickse Bout stood surety.

Claes de Goyer was sentenced in a bond of two hundred guilders, for which the late Willem Frederickse Bout is surety.

Memorandum per N.B. [1657.]

Jan [Helmerse] de Boek has complained to me, that Jacob Arentse being his servant has hired himself to Jan Helmersse [De Boek] for a year, who has paid to said Jacob, in hand, a half barrel of beer and three guilders, as earnest money, but that this same Jacob Arentse has again hired himself to Hans de Vos,[1] at Katskil.

The 8th of March, 1657. Jan Andriesse [the Irishman, at Katskil], substitute for * Willem Frederickse Bout, collector of the excise at Fort Orange, village of Beverwyck, and appendances of the same, has been complained of to me, by Hans de Vos, for selling brandy and spirits to the Indians; delivered to me an affidavit of the same, signed L. A., with his own hand.

3d of March. Pieter Stevense declared to the magistrates, that some improprieties had been committed at the house of Albert de Timmerman on Shrovetide last; that some had put on women's clothes.

5th March. * [Erased] * to me, that at Albert de Timmerman's, when they were raising his house, Thomas Paulus [Powell], and Marcelis Janse [Van Bommel], had * * * [erased], in presence of two men, to wit: —— Rip ——, Jan Vinhagel, Jan Rocloffse [De Goyer], Jacob Lokerman, and Pieter Laedemacker, etc.

Sunday, the 25th of Feb. I found at Albert de Timmerman's, during the morning service, Cornelis Teunisse, *alias* *, and Jan Gou.

Tuesday, 13th Feb., 1656. Pieter Simense, at Harme de Timmerman's, put on a woman's clothes; present Wocke Janse.

Saturday, the 7th of April, Claes Ripse [Van Dam],[2] wounded Harmen de Metselaer, with a pot. (Settled for two beavers; paid).

The 10th ditto. Hans de Vos has been apprehended.

Ditto. Harmen Jacobse, *alias* Bambus, with his sloop, sailed from here for Manhatans, laden with three hundred boards.

The 13th. Jan Van St. Aubin sailed from here, laden with———.

Ditto. Frederick Hendrickse.

Thursday, the 18th of April. Pieter Bronck fought with the window-maker of Madam Van * * *; and afterwards, this Pieter Bronck had a dispute with Harmen, the servant of Jan Thomase [Mingael], and drew out his knife; present Martin de Metselaer, Gerard Slichtenhorst, and Jacob, Frans Barentse's [Pastoor], servant, * * * for which he was sentenced in a bond of one hundred guilders.

Monday, the 23d of April. Frans Barentse Pastoor, with a bare knife

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[1] Hans Vos, or De Vos Van Baden.

[2] Claas Ripse Van Dam was a carpenter. By his wife, Maria Bord, he had one son, Rip Van Dam, who resided in New York, and attained to considerable note in the government of the province. On the 10th January, 1657, Jan Vinhagen and Jan Byvanck deposed, that Claas Ripse, Van Dam's wife, said that Gerrit Slichtenhorst's wife, said that he (Van Dam), stole the planks, out of which his pigstye was built.—*Notarial Papers*, n.

in his hand, in his place, pursued unto the fence of the same, Jacobus Teunisse, *alias* de Looper, who hastily leaped over said fence, to escape out of his hands; in presence of the Heer Gerard Swart, *schout* of Rensselaerswyck, Jacob Schermerhooren, Jan Verbeek, and Pieter Arentse (?), for which he was condemned by me in a bond of one hundred guilders.

The 19th of April. Steven Janse Timmerman,[1] at Martin de Brouwer's (?) inn, drew his knife, and with the same wounded Keesie Wyp in two places, in presence of Ariaen Appel, and Jan Thys de *.

Gerber de Goyer had Hendrick the aged's cow at Jan de Brouwer's (?), the 27th of April.

N.B. To present a requisition to oblige the traders to * * * an increase of ten or twelve soldiers; for two hundred lbs of powder; two light cannons; the oak for barrels must be got out (?).

Sunday evening, 4th of June. Martin de Metselaer, in the * guard (?) of the Burgesses, cut and wounded Pieter Bosboom in the head with his dagger (?), for which act, early, on Thursday, the 7th of June, I had him hauled out of bed and set in the stocks.

The 21st of July. Jacobus Teunisse, *alias* de Looper, fought with Henderick, *alias* Kint, with his * *.

The 22d ditto. Jacob Lookerman drew his knife, and with it wounded Mewus Hoogboom, servant of Claes Hendrickse [Van Schoonhooven], for which he was sentenced in a bond of three hundred and fifty guilders, of which I have acquitted him my third part, and he has paid the two-thirds * * *.

The 23d of July. Fob Barentse complained, that Elbert de Goyer called him a thief and beat him, in presence of Jacob Schermerhooren, and Harmen Janse.

The 19th of August. Thomas Konnig abused the court as an unlawful court, taking materials from the sayings of Dyckman, who sang the 82d Psalm, and called the high council rogues and talebearers (*verklickers*), in presence of Evert Pels, Art Jacobse, and Gillis Fonda.

The 29th of August. Harmen Bastiaense [Visscher], complained to me, that Myndert Frederickse [Smith] had villified him as a hay (*hoy*) thief, in presence of Tierck and Spietsberg, at Myndert's house.

Saturday, the 26th of August. Henderick Klootdrayer, * * quarreled on the street and with the same * * attacked (?) his door and hacked it in pieces, in presence of Jan Henderickse, Mr. Abraham Steinwyck's[2] servant Rem, and others.

Gerbert Gisbert arrested in the name of Elbert Gerbertse.

19 November. Pieter Bronck was complained of by Pieter Stevense, *alias* the wicked Dominie (*godloosen Dne*), who was at work with him in his harvest at the Flat, near the * *, with Pieter Laemacker and Jan Roeloff.

November 22d. Evert Knool complained of violence done in his house, by Jan Gou, on the 20th, about 10 o'clock in the evening, in presence of Jan Thomase [Mingael], Willhem Bout, Ale Klaes, Claes Teunise, and others; and he was condemned in a bond of twelve guilders.

1658, May 13. Ruth Jacobse [Van Woert] is to pay three whole beavers, thirty guilders, for his servant, named Hendrick De Brower.

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[1] *Alias* Coninck.

[2] Abraham Jacobse Steinwyck was an inhabitant of Manhatans.

The 21st November. Klaes de Goyert drew his knife, *tot de trompetten*, against Pieter Stevense, *alias* wicked Dominie (*godloosen Dne*), for which he was condemned by the court, in which sat J. Schermerhooren, Philip Pieterse [Schuyler], and Jan Thomase [Mingael], in a bond of one hundred guilders, for which sum Willem Frederickse Bout stood surety.

The 2d December. Jan Roeloffse, with a pot, made a hole in the head of J. Eraerdse, soldier, *tot de trompet*, for which offense he must pay, according to the law of Amsterdam, fifty guilders.

10th December. Cornelis Teunisse, *alias* Keys Korste (?), has settled with me for an offense of him and his wife, done by them against Gosen Gerritsen [Van Schaick], in presence of Rutger Jacobsen, and Jan Verbeeck (who have testified that they have arranged with Gossen Gerritssen), for a beaver (?) coat for me, and two beavers for the poor.

14 December. Henderick De Backer has settled with me for injuries done Andries Herpertsen, by him and his wife, in presence of Andries Herpertsen, Jan Verbeeck, and the magistrate Philip Pieterse [Schuyler], for two beavers to Harmen [Herpertsen ?].

N.B. 9th December came here, from Klaeverracht,[1] Derick Klaes, skipper of the Eendracht, with Lamber, sailor.

The 12th ditto. Paid (?) to me in a settlement with H. Jochemse twenty-three guilders twelve stuivers, for food consumed.

25th ditto. The skipper, with Lambert, came here from Klaeverraecht.

The 11th Jan., 1658. Willem Frederickse [Bout] complained to me, against Marcelis Janse, who had villified him as a thief, in presence of Philip Peterse [Schuyler], Derick Janse Kroon, Ruth Jacobse, and H. Jochemse, the 9th Jany.

The 25th January. Cornelis Wouterse, and Pieter Messen [Meese Vrooman ?], stood sureties for the offense of Jan Andriese [De Graff ?], Pieter Jacobse Voosboorg, and Kip Haecker, in presence of Gisbert Van Imbroock, and Johannes Provoost.

The 27th of Jany. Jacob Knop came bringing me (?) the request of Ariaen, the boor, redeemed from the Indians.

Friday, the 22d Feb. Jacob Teunise de Looper drew his knife against the *maelboer*, and afterward against Jan Roeloffse, and wounded him, at or before the door of Jan De Wever.

The 25th of Feb. Jan Gou drew his knife, and wounded one squinteyed Harmen, whom Dr. Jacob [D'Hinse] visited and doctored.

The 9th March. Harmen * * *, called the squinteyed Harmen, was * * for the sum of sixty guilders, for which Willem Frederickse Bout stood surety.

21st of June. Jacob Teunise [De Looper], schout, saw an Indian by night go in and out at Thomas Paulus (Powell's); he said, he had in the house of said Thomas, wine, beer or brandy, in presence of Wynter, Jan Teunise, and Bastiaen Pieterse.

27th April. Pieter Janse Laemacker complained to me, that Evert Nolding had committed violence upon him, at his place, and drew his knife against him, and afterwards, pulled his hair and laughed at him (?), in presence of Louys Kobes, Arnoud Cornelise [Viele], and Jan Mangelse.

PIETER JANSEN.

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[1] Claverack.

On this 27th day of April, 1659, appeared before the Heer officer, Johan De La Montagne, Cornelis Teunise Van Brackelen,[1] and Evert Pels, who offered themselves as sureties, according to the judgment of the court, for the penalty of Evert Nolden, who was indited by the evidence of Pieter Janse, under his own hand, of date above written. In witness whereof he subscribes this with his own hand.

Fort Orange. EVERT———.
EVERT PELS.

As witness,
Ludovicus Cobus, tipstaff.

5th May. Mattheus Janse has complained to me of Jacobus Teunise [de Looper], who, without cause, struck him at the house of Georgiaen Glasemacker, in presence of said Juriaen, Jacob Van Luider, Gurgiaen de Cupper, Arnoud, and others.

Conditions according to which Hendrick Jochemse is minded to sell at public sale to the highest bidder, his house and lot, lying on Fort Orange, or to the north of the same, in which dwells Joannes Dyckman, who has hired the said house and lot till the first of May, A. D. 1660, for the sum of one hundred and forty guilders, the full rent of which from the first of May, 1659, till the first of May, 1660, the buyer shall receive. *First.*—The aforesaid house shall be delivered to the buyer, also the lot as it lies inclosed in fence with all that is earth and nailed fast, from this 16th day of July. Payment shall be made in two installments; the first, on the first day of September, 1659, half in good merchantable beavers, and the other half in good current seewant; and the second installment, on the first of August, A. D. 1660, in the aforesaid currency. The buyer shall be holden to furnish two sufficient securities, each for the whole, immediately, to the content of the seller, and if the buyer cannot furnish said sureties in said time, then it shall be offered for sale again at his expense and cost, and what less it comes to be worth, he shall be holden to make good, and whatever more it comes to be worth, he shall enjoy no profit therefrom. The auction fees become a charge to the buyer. After many offers Cornelis Cornelise Sterrevelt remained the last bidder for the sum of five hundred and seven guilders, and offered as sureties and principals Cornelis Teunise Bosch, and Cornelis Teunise Van Slyck, for the payment of the aforesaid sum, for which they bind their persons and estates, real and personal, present and future, submitting the same to all laws and judges.

Done in the village of Beverwyck, on the 16th of July, 1659.

CORNELIS CORNELISE STERRENVELT.
CORNELUS THONISEN BOS.
This is the mark of + CORNELIS TEUNISE SLYCK, with his own hand set.

Acknowledged before me,
LA MONTAGNE, Clerk at Fort Orange.

Conditions according to which Hendrick Jochemse is minded to sell at public sale to the highest bidder, his house and lot, where he lives at

[1] Cornelis Teunise Van Breuckelen, or Brakelen, came to Rensselaerswyck in 1631. He was "Raedtsperson."— *O'Callaghan's History of New Netherland*, i, 431. A Van Brakel family was among the early settlers of Schenectady.

present, lying on Fort Orange. *First.*— The aforesaid house and lot, as it stands in fence, shall be delivered to the buyer, with all that is fast by earth and nailed, just as the seller has possessed it. Delivery shall be made on the first of September, A. D. 1659. * * * * * *

[This paper is incomplete, no sale having been recorded.]

Conditions on which Arent Van den Bergh proposes to sell at public sale to the highest bidder his house, lying in Fort Orange, bounding eastwardly on Henderick Andriesse [Van Doesburgh], and westwardly on Michael Janse [Van Broeckhuysen]. *First.*— The aforesaid house shall be delivered to the buyer as it stands, with all that is fast by earth and nailed, in such possession and ownership as the seller has in the same, with a garden, lying behind Fort Orange, with the garden crop, which is therein. Delivery shall be made on the first of August next. * * *

[This paper is incomplete, no sale having been recorded.]

Conditions and proposals according to which Pieter Bronck is minded to sell at public sale to the highest bidder his house and lot, lying in the village of Beverwyck, on the hill, where Jacob Teunise [De Looper?] now lives. *First.*— The aforesaid house, one board long, shall be delivered to the buyer, with an Indian house near by, except a little shed, which belongs to Jacob Teunise, who shall take it down immediately, or else resign it to the seller provided the aforesaid Jacob Teunise receive proper satisfaction therefor, as they can best agree, with a parcel of land there, twenty rods in length and five rods broad, according to the patent thereof.

[This paper is incomplete, the sale not having been recorded].

Goods of Pieter Claerbout to be sold, and paid for in beavers in the time of eight days, or else what is not beaver and is reckoned in sewant is to be paid at 12 guilders the beaver.

This 16th of July, 1659.

Geurt Gerritsen, a picture,	*f*	9.00
Abraham Staets, a ditto,	*f*	8.00
The Heer Rencelaer, a ditto,	*f*	8.05
Cornelis Teunisse Bosch, a ditto,	*f*	14.10
Adriaen Gerritse [Papendorp], 2 chandelaers,	*f*	9.00
Cornelis Teunise Bosch, a smoothing iron and lamp,	*f*	10.05
Jan de Kuyper, 3 porcelain cups,	*f*	5.05
Willem Janse Schut, 3 ditto,	*f*	4.04
Roeloff Willemse [Van Heerden], 2 porcelain dishes,	*f*	6.16
Pieter Jacobse, 6 ditto plates,	*f*	5.05
Lowies Cobussen, 7 ditto,	*f*	6.13
J. La Montagne, 3 ditto platters,	*f*	5.10
Frederic Harmense [Visscher], 3 ditto,	*f*	5.00
Geurt Gerritsen, 3 ditto,	*f*	9.00
Adriaen Gerritse, 2 valances, with 2 curtains,	*f*	24.00
Arent Isaackse [Van Hoeck][1], a black petticoat,	*f*	21.05
Abraham Staets, a black mantel,	*f*	35.00

[1] Bennony Arentse Van Hoeck, son of the above Arent Isaakse, was an inhabitant of Schenectady, and was killed in the destruction of the town, Feb. 9, 1690.

Retained a child's petticoat, and waist coat,	*f*	17.00
Geurt Gerritse, a red coat,	*f*	44.00
Arnout Cornelise Viele, a guides (?) woolen coat,	*f*	48.00
Hendrick Jochemse, a blue coat,	*f*	42.00
Woutert de Backer, a black coat,	*f*	52.00
Arent Vandenbergh, a child's clothes,	*f*	14.04
Heer La Montagne, a black linnen apron,	*f*	13.00
	f	414.02
Eldert Gerbertsen [Cruiff], a little bible,	*f*	14.15
Barent Pieterse [Coeymans], 2 child's caps,	*f*	8.16
Abraham Staets, a child's petticoat,	*f*	5.05
Retained a silver girdle (*riem*),	*f*	20.00
Retained two gold rings; the one for twenty guilders, and the other for sixteen guilders; total,	*f*	36.00
Harmen Vedder, a child-bed basket,	*f*	2.00
	f	500.08
	f	73.00
	f	427.08

Appeared before me Johannes La Montagne, clerk of Fort Orange and Village of Beverwyck, Evert Pels, who declared that he was honestly indebted to Mr. Hendrick Van Dyck, in the number of fifteen whole merchantable beavers, remaining from an obligation.

Done in Fort Orange, the 16th of July, A. D. 1659.

La Montagne, Clerk at Fort Orange.

Appeared before me Johannes La Montagne, in the service of, etc., in the presence of Mr. Francoys Boon and Andries Herpertsen, magistrates of the same jurisdiction; Barent Meyndersen, who declared that he had transferred, as he by these presents does grant and transfer in real and actual possession to the behoof of Barent Reyndersen, his heirs or those who shall receive title from him, a just half of his house and lot, lying in the Village of Beverwyck, to the west Gerrit Bancken, to the east Rutger Jacobsen, with all the right and title, which the grantor has had therein, which title said grantor received by conveyance from Jan Vinhagel, of date the 12th of July, A. D. 1658, and frees the grantee (*acceptant*) from all claims, demands or pretensions, which may hereafter arise; pledging therefor his person and estate, real and personal, present and future, submitting the same to all laws and judges.

Done in Fort Orange, the 17th of July, A. D. 1659.

Barent Meyders.

Andries Herberts.
Francoys Boon.

Appeared before me Johannes La Montagne, in the service of, etc., in the presence of honorable Jan Verbeeck and Sander Leendersen Glen, magistrates of the same jurisdiction, Cornelis Segersen [Van Voorhoudt], burgher and inhabitant of Colony Rensselaerswyck, who declared that he had granted and transferred as he does grant and transfer by these

presents in real and actual possession, to the behoof of Gerrit Slichtenhorst, burgher and inhabitant here, his heirs or assigns, a house and lot, lying in the aforesaid village, on the hill; length along the road, nine rods; to the west the hill, breadth six rods and three feet; to the east, five rods one foot, or two feet exclusive; to the north, nine rods; title to which the grantor received by conveyance from Jan Roeloffse, of date the 10th of December, A. D. 1657, and frees the grantee from all claims, demands and pretensions, which hereafter may come against it; pledging his person and estate, real and personal, present and future, putting the same in subjection to all laws and judges.

Done in Fort Orange, the 18th of July, A. D. 1659.

CORNELIS ZEEGERZOON.

Jan Verbeeck.
Sander Lenrsen Glen.

Appeared before me Johannes La Montagne, in the service of, etc, in the presence of Sander Leendersen [Glen] and Jan Verbeeck, magistrates of the same jurisdiction; Jan Roeloffse, who declared that he had transferred as by these presents he does grant and transfer, in real and actual possession to the behoof of Henderick Jochemse, his heirs or those who may receive title from him, a garden lying in the Village of Beverwyck, behind Fort Orange, adjoining to the east upon the garden of Pieter Loockermans, to the north the garden of Rem Janssen [Smith], west and south the road; length on the north side, three rods and one foot; on the south side, length three rods eight feet; on the east side, breadth five rods and four feet; on the west, five rods seven feet; which aforesaid garden was granted to said Jan Roeloffse by the Heer director general and council of New Netherland, of date the 24th of March, 1654, promising to free the grantee from all claims, demands or pretentions, which may hereafter arise; pledging therefor his person and estate, real and personal, and submitting the same to all laws and judges.

Done in Fort Orange, the 18th of June, A. D. 1659.

JAN ROELOFFSE.

Sander Lenrsen.
Jan Verbeeck.

Conditions on which Tomas Janssen Mingael proposes to sell at public sale to the highest bidder his house and lot, lying in the village of Beverwyck, to the north Henderick de Backer, to the south Pieter Loockermans. The aforesaid house shall be delivered as it at present stands with what is fast by earth and nailed, and the lot, belonging thereto, as it stands in fence.

[This paper is incomplete, the sale not having been recorded].

Goods of Christoffel Davids, to be paid for in the time of three weeks, from date, in beavers.

29th July.

Willem Brouwer, six pewter plates and seven napkins,..... *f* 21.00
Anderes Herbertsen, ditto,..... *f* 20.00

Conditions on which Mr. [Paulus] Schriek proposes to sell to the highest bidder a house, which is to be delivered to the buyer immediately,

to be paid for in beavers, half in cash and the other half in two months from date, or else to be paid in seewant, at twelve guilders the beaver, provided that the buyer give proper sureties. The auction fees become a charge upon the buyer.

Appeared before me Johannes La Montagne, in the service of, etc., in the presence of the honorable Sander Leendersen Glen and Jan Verbeeck, magistrates of the same jurisdiction, Claes Ripse [Van Dam], who declared that he is well and honestly indebted to Henderick Anderissen [Van Doesburgh] and Cornelis Wyncoop, in the number of nine and thirty good whole beavers, and promises said beavers to pay in the month of June, A. D. 1660, which debt grew out of the sale of a house and lot, which the said Claes Ripse bought at public sale of said Henderick Anderessen and Cornelis Wynkoop, which said house and lot the buyer mortgages as a special pledge for the payment of the said nine and thirty beavers, for which he further pledges his person and estate, real and personal, present and future, putting the same in subjection to all laws and judges.

Done in Fort Orange, the 18th of August, A. D. 1659.

CLAES RIPSE VAN DAM.

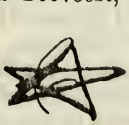
Sander Leursen.
Jan Verbeeck.

Acknowledged before me,

LA MONTAGNE, Clerk at Fort Orange.

Appeared before me Joannes La Montagne, in the service, etc., on the day underwritten, in the presence of the afternamed witnesses, Jan Coster Van Aecken, who declares that he has appointed and empowered as by these presents he does [appoint, etc.], the honorable Stoffel Janse [Abeel] and Pieter De Maecken, in the subscriber's name and for his sake, to demand and receive of the honorable Jan Dareth, at present ready to depart for Patria [Holland], the sum of three hundred and twelve guilders and ten stuivers in Holland money, growing out of fifty beavers, which said Jan Daret bought of said Jan Coster Van Aecken at six guilders five stuivers a piece; acquitance to pass for the receipt thereof, and in case of his declining to pay, using therein all the limits of the law; to act as if the subscriber were himself present, promising to hold good and just, all that the attorney shall do in the matter, on a pledge of his person and estate, real and personal, present and future, submitting the same to all laws and judges.

Done in Fort Orange, in New Netherland, in presence of Harmen Albertse Vedder and Johannes Provoost, witnesses thereto called, on this 18th of August, A. D. 1659.

This is the mark  of JAN COSTER VAN AECKEN, with his own hand set.

Harmen Albertse Vedder.
Johannes Provoost, as witness.

Acknowledged before me,

LA MONTAGNE, Clerk at Fort Orange.

Appeared before me Johannes La Montagne, in the service of, etc., in the presence of honorable Francoys Boon and Anderies Herbertsen, magistrates of the same jurisdiction, Jacob Loockermans, burgher and inhabitant of said village, who acknowledges that he is well and honestly indebted to the honorable Johannes Withart, trader here, in the sum of four hundred and forty guilders in good whole merchantable beavers, for invoices of goods, to his content received, and promises to pay said sum of four hundred and forty guilders on the first of July, A. D. 1660, specially therefor pledging his house and lot, lying in the village of Beverwyck as a binding mortgage and pledge for the payment of said sum, as also his person and estate, real and personal, present and future, and placing the same in subjection to all laws and judges.

Done in Fort Orange, the 18th of August, A. D. 1659.

JACOB LOKERMANS.

Appeared before me Johannes Provoost, clerk of the court of Fort Orange and village of Beverwyck, on the date underwritten, in the presence of the afternamed witnesses, Jacob Adriaense [Soogemackelyck], who declares that he has appointed and empowered as by these presents he does, the honorable Eldert Gerbertsen [Cruiff], in the subscriber's name and for his sake to demand and receive all the outstanding debts, which are due to the subscriber here in New Netherland according to bonds and other evidences which serve for that end; as also to pay all the subscriber's debts which shall be brought to the attorney with good proof; especially in case of declining to pay to sell the house of Paulus Martense [Van Benthuysen], promising to hold good and just all that the attorney in said matter shall do, on a pledge of his person and estate, real and personal, present and future, and subjecting the same to all laws and judges.

Done in Fort Orange, in the presence of Sacharias Sickels and Jan Eerarts, as witnesses hereto called, on the 20th of August, A. D. 1659.

JACOB ADRYAENSEN.

Sacharyas Syckelse.
Johannes Eeraerts.

Acknowledged before me,

JOHANNES PROVOOST, Clerk.

Appeared before me Johannes Provoost, clerk, etc., in presence of the afternamed witnesses, the Honorable Jan Dareth at present about to depart for Patria, who declares that he has appointed and empowered, as by these presents he does, the Honorable Gerrit Swart, Schout of the colony of Rensselaerswyck in the subscriber's name and for his sake, to demand and receive of Reynier Wisselpenningh such moneys as are to the subscriber due according to his obligation; acquittance to pass for receipts and in case of declining to pay to proceed against him according to law; and further, to do and perform all things as if the subscriber were himself present, promising to hold good and true all that the attorney in said matter shall do, provided the attorney shall render a proper account and return.

Thus done and passed in Fort Orange, in presence of Arent Janse and Jan Barensen as witnesses hereto called and invited on the 20th of August, Ao 1659.

JAN DARETH.

Arent Janse,
Jan Barensen.

Acknowledged before me,

JOHANNES PROVOOST, clerk.

Appeared before me Johannes La Montagne in the service of, etc., on the date underwritten, in the presence of the afternamed witnesses, Jan Franeen Van Hoesem who declares that he has appointed and empowered as by these presents he does, Tieleman Van Vleck, notary public, residing at Amsterdam in New Netherland specially in the subscriber's name and for his sake to demand and receive of Gysbert Van Loenen, the sum of a hundred and eleven guilders growing out of food and drink consumed, together with all the expenses thereto depending; acquittance for receipts to pass, and in case of his declining the payment, to proceed according to law, and the rigor of justice, and for that end all the terms of the law to observe unto sentence and extreme execution, from these if need be to proceed by arrest against persons and estates, and further to do and perform all things which the attorney shall find reasonable, promising to hold as good and true, whatever shall be done and executed by said attorney, provided when required he shall make a proper accounting and return of his transactions and receipts.

Thus done and passed in Fort Orange, in the presence of Jan Barentse and Arent Janse, as witnesses hereto called, on this 20th of August, A. D. 1659.

This is the mark of + JAN FRANSEN VAN HOESEM,
set by himself.

Arent Jansen.
Jan Barentsen.

Acknowledged before me,

LA MONTAGNE, Clerk in Fort Orange.

Appeared before me Johannes La Montagne, Senior, by the Heer director general and council of New Netherland, admitted clerk and vice-director of Fort Orange and Village of Beverwyck, residing in Fort Orange, Henderick Martense Van Coppenhagen, who in the presence of the underwritten witnesses, declared that he had granted, transferred and assigned to and for the behoof of Lucas Direkse, for goods to his content and satisfaction, * * * * the sum of fifty guilders, to be received in fatherland for his monthly wages and subsistence due him; said Henderick Martense Van Coppenhagen, further hereby, appoints and empowers the lawful holder of this paper to solicit, demand, and receive said sum of fifty guilders in fatherland of the right honorable directors of the privileged West-India Company at the Chamber of Amsterdam, receipts being had to pass acquittance therefor, which shall be valid, as though given by the subscriber himself, also to do and perform all things in regard to the aforesaid sum to be received, as the subscriber himself

being present could or might have done; besides wherever the matter demands greater and more special authority than stands expressed in this paper, promising always to hold as good and true whatever shall be done by virtue of this instrument, under pledge of his person and estate.

Thus done in Fort Orange, in presence of Gerrit Slichtenhorst and Sacharias Sickels, as witnesses hereto called, on this 21st of August, A. D. 1659, in Fort Orange, in New Netherland.

This is the mark + of HENDERICK MARTENSE,
with his own hand set.

Gerrit Slichtenhorst.
Sacharyas Seeckelsen.

Acknowledged before me,

LA MONTAGNE, Clerk at Fort Orange.

Appeared before me Johannes La Montagne, by the Heer director general and the honorable council of New Netherland, admitted clerk and vice-director at Fort Orange and Village of Beverwyek, resident in the aforesaid Fort Orange; Pieter Cornelise, Junior (*de jongh*), and Cornelis Jacobsen By, traders here, also about to depart together for fatherland, who declare that they have appointed and empowered, as by these presents they do, the honorable Evert Wendel in the subscribers names and for their sakes, to demand, collect, and receive here in New Netherland such outstanding debts as to the subscribers are due, according to bonds and other evidences which serve the same purpose, for their receipts acquittance to pass, and in case of refusal to pay, by law and the rigor of justice to proceed, and for that end, all terms of laws to observe to sentence and extreme execution, also if need be to proceed by arrest against persons and goods, and moreover, to do and perform all things, which the attorney shall think proper, promising at all times to hold as true whatever in the matter aforesaid shall be done by the attorney, provided that the attorney shall be holden when requested, a proper statement and return of his transactions and receipts to make, on pledge of his person and estate.

Thus done and passed in Fort Orange, in New Netherland, in the presence of Claes Pieterse and Johannes Provoost, as witnesses hereto invited, on the 22d of August, A. D. 1659.

PIETER CORNELISE D'JONGH.
CORNELIS JACOBSE.

Clas Peytersen.
Johannes Provoost, witness.

Acknowledged before me,

LA MONTAGNE, Clerk at Fort Orange.

Appeared before me Johannes La Montagne, Senior, by the Heer director general, etc., Zacharias Sickels Van Weenen, who, in presence of the afternamed witnesses, declares that he has granted, transferred and assigned to and for the behoof of Reyndert Janssen Hoorn for goods, received to his content and satisfaction, the sum of thirty-six guilders and ten stuivers, to be received in fatherland for his monthly wages and subsistence, which he, on the Island of Curacoa in Fort Amsterdam, in the service of the Heer directors of the privileged West India Company,

earned as *Adelborst*,[1] according to the settlement thereof signed by Rodenbergh and Verellen; further the said Zacharias Sickels Van Weenen, hereby appoints and empowers the lawful holder of this paper to ask, demand and receive said sum of thirty-six guilders and ten stuivers in fatherland from said right honorable directors of the privileged West India Company at the Chamber of Amsterdam, and having received it to pass acquittance therefor, which shall be valid as though it were given by the subscriber himself, moreover to do and perform all things, in order to obtain the aforesaid sum, which the subscriber, himself being present could or might do; also if the matter demands more special authority than stands expressed in this paper, promising to all times to hold good and true whatever by virtue of this paper shall be done, under pledge of his person and estate.

Thus done in Fort Orange, in presence of Lowies Cobussen and Johannes Provoost, as witness hereto called, on this 28th of August, A. D. 1659.

SACHARYAS SEECKELSE.

Ludovicus Cobes.
Johannes Provoost, witness.

Acknowledged before me,

LA MONTAGNE, Clerk in Fort Orange.

Appeared before me Johannes La Montagne in the service of the General Privileged West India Company etc., on the date underwritten in presence of the after named witnesses, the Honorable Dirk Dirkse Keyser and Walraeff Pieterse Claerfout, who declare that they have appointed and empowered, as by these presents they do, the Honorable Philip Pieterse Schuyler in the subscribers' names and for their sakes to demand and receive all such outstanding debts as are due to these subscribers, here in Fort Orange in New Netherland, according to bonds and other evidences which serve the like purpose; for receipts acquittance to pass, and in case of refusal, payment to exact with law and rigor of justice to sentence and extreme execution; also to proceed by arrest against persons and estates, and further all things to do and perform, which the attorney shall think proper, promising to hold good and true all that the attorney shall do in the matter provided that he shall be holden when requested to make a proper statement and return of his transactions and returns, on pledge of their persons and estates. Thus done in Fort Orange in presence of Zacharias Sickels and Johannes Provoost as witnesses hereto invited on this 28th of August, A.D. 1659.

DIRCK DIRCKSE KEYSER,
WALRAVE PIETERSE CLAERBOUT.

Zacharyas Seeckelse.
Johannes Proovost, Wit.

Acknowledged before me,

LA MONTAGNE Clerk at Fort Orange.

Appeared before me Johannes La Montagne in the service of etc., in presence of the afternamed witnesses, Philip Pieterse Schuyler who declares

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[1] *Adelborst*, a gentleman soldier, something more than a common soldier. In another place he called corporal.

that he has received of Dirck Dirckse Keyser, and taken for safe keeping the following obligations for all which he is attorney.

Rutger Jacobsen, one of 38, and another of 32 beavers.
Jurrian Teunisse [Glasemaeker] an obligation of 22 beavers.
Jan Verbeeck one ditto of 27 beavers.
Pieter Adriaensen Soegemackelyck one ditto amounting to 7 beavers.
Anderies Herbertsen, an obligation of 28 beavers.
Jacob Tyssen Vander Heyden, one ditto of 16⅔ beavers.
Broer Cornelis [Antonissen Van Slyck,] one ditto of 33½ beavers.
Henderick Bierman, one of 12 beavers.
Geurt Hendrickse [Van Schoonhooven,] one ditto of 3 beavers.

Which foregoing obligations said Philip Pieterse, the subscriber promises to restore again to the aforesaid Dirck Dirckse Keyser, or a settlement thereof to make so soon as he [Keyser] returns from fatherland, for which he binds his person and estate movable and immovable, present and future, putting the same in subjection to all laws and judges.

Done in Fort Orange, the 29th of August, A. D. 1659, in presence of Jan Barensen [Wemp], and Johannes Provoost, as witnesses hereto invited, on this 29th of August, A. D. 1659.

PHILIP PIETERSE SCHUYLER.

Jan Barensen.
Johannes Provoost, witness.

Acknowledged before me,

LA MONTAGNE, Clerk in Fort Orange.

Appeared before me Johannes La Montagne, by the Heer director general and council of New Netherland, admitted, etc., at the date underwritten, in presence of the afternamed witnesses, Mr. Joannes Dyckman, assisted by Maria Bosyns, his wife, who declares that he has appointed and empowered as he by these presents does empower the honorable Cryn Pieterse Van Seventer, bookkeeper of the general privileged West India Company at the Chamber of Amsterdam, in the subscriber's name and for his sake to enquire for and demand all such claims as are due to them by way of the estate left by Aeltien Poulus Root, widow of Joris Dyckman, father and mother of the subscriber and in said enquiry and demand, to act according to law and as though the subscribers were present, promising to hold as good and true all that the attorney in said matter shall do, under a pledge of his person and estate, real and personal.

Thus done in Fort Orange, in New Netherland, in presence of Adriaen Janse Van Leyden and Arent Janse, as witnesses hereto invited, on the 3d of September, A. D. 1659.

JOANNES DYCKMAN.
MARIA BOSYNS.

A. Janse Van Leyden.
Arent Janse.

Acknowledged before me,

LA MONTAGNE, Clerk at Fort Orange.

Appeared before me Joannes La Montagne etc., on the date under written in the presence of the after named witnesses, the Honorable

Volckert Janse [Douw] burgher of said Village of Beverwyck, master (*heerschap*) of the Bouwery lying in the Colony of Reneclærswyck, who declares that he has appointed and empowered, as by these presents he does, the Honorable Paulus Schrick, merchant at Hartford (*Herfort*) in New England in his name and for his sake in New England or elsewhere, to enquire after Pieter Pieterse Lassen[1] and Willem Symonse, both his servants according to contracts, which aforesaid servants have run away from here, the aforesaid servants having found to bring or send to their master the subscriber aforesaid and hand over to him; and therefore should the necessity demand it, the attorney is authorized to substitute one or more persons in his place to recover by law the said servants and in said matter to act as though the subscriber was himself present, promising moreover to hold good and true all that the attorney in the matter shall do, on pledge of his person and estate.

Thus done in Fort Orange, in presence of Mr. Jacob DeHinse and Johannes Provoost, as witnesses hereto invited, on this 21st of September, A. D. 1659.

VOLKERTT JANSE.

J. DeHinse.
Johannes Provoost, witness.

Acknowledged before me,

LA MONTAGNE, Clerk at Fort Orange.

Conditions on which the Heer clerk and the Messrs. commissaries of Fort Orange and Village of Beverwyck desire to farm out to the highest bidder the slaughter excise for the time of one year. The farming of the said slaughter excise shall begin on the first of October, of the year 1659, and end on the last day of September, A. D. 1660. The farmer shall receive for the slaughtered beasts (for every one, except those of the Minister and Heer Renselaer), whether ox, cow, calf, bull, hog, goat and sheep, for every guilder, of the value of the same, one stuiver, in case of any dispute to be valued by impartial persons. The farmer becomes holden to furnish two sufficient sureties to the content of the Messieurs contractors for the excise Money, a just fourth part of the same to be paid every quarter year in good current seewant, and if the farmer can not furnish sufficient sureties, it shall be offered again at his cost and expense, and whatever less it comes to be worth, he shall be holden to make good, and whatever more it comes to be worth shall afford no profit to him. After offering the slaughter excise for sale on the above conditions, it was stopped at six hundred and forty guilders; the Messieurs contractors coming together again came to an agreement respecting it with Marcelis Janse [Van Bommel], who, by private contract, has accepted said excise from the Messieurs contractors, according to the aforesaid conditions, for the sum of seven hundred guilders and for the payment of said sum offered Rutger Jacobsen and Henderick Anderiesen [Van Doesburgh] as sureties and principals to the content of the Messieurs contractors, on a pledge of

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[1] Pieter Pieterse Lassingh, in company with Goosen Gerritse Van Schaick, in 1675, bought the brewery of Harmen Rutgers, standing on the east half of the Exchange lot.— *Deeds*, I, 261. Subsequently he sold his half to Sybrant Goose Van Schaick.— *Annals of Albany*, X, 60.

their persons and estates, real and personal, present and future, submitting the same to the force of all laws and judges.

Done in the village of Beverwyck, the first of October, A. D. 1659.

MARCELYS JANSEN.
RUTGER JACOBSEN.
HENDERICK ANDRYESSEN.

Acknowledged before me,

JOHANNES PROVOOST, Clerk.

Appeared before me Johannes La Montagne, etc., on the date underwritten, in presence of the afternamed witnesses, Ryck Riddersen, late a soldier, who declared that he had granted, transferred and assigned to and for the behoof of the honorable Elmerhuysen Cleyn, for goods to his content and satisfaction received, the sum of one hundred and forty-one guilders and nineteen stuivers, to be received for his monthly wages and subsistence, which he, at Fort Orange, in New Netherland, in the service of the honorable directors of the privileged West India Company, has earned as a soldier; moreover the said Ryck Riddersen or the lawful holder of this paper, hereby, authorizes said sum of one hundred and forty-one guilders and nineteen stuivers, to be called for, demanded and received at Amsterdam, in New Netherland, at the treasury of the same, and being received to pass acquittance therefor, which shall be valid as though it was granted by the subscriber himself; further to do and perform all things for the receiving of said sum, which the subscriber himself being present might or could do, and if the matter should demand greater and more special authority than is herein expressed, promising to hold the same as good and true at all times, whatever shall be done by virtue of this paper, under pledge of his person and goods.

Thus done in Fort Orange, in the presence of Sacharias Sickels and Johannes Provoost, as witnesses hereto invited, on the 4th of October, A. D. 1650.

This is the mark of + RYCK RIDDERSEN, with his own hand set.
Sacharyas Seeckelse.
Johannes Provoost, witness.

Acknowledged before me,

LA MONTAGNE, Clerk in Fort Orange.

Appeared before me Johannes La Montagne, etc., on the date underwritten, in the presence of the afternamed witnesses, Zacharias Sickels Van Weenen, corporal of the honorable company, who declared that he had granted, transferred and assigned to and for the behoof of the honorable Goosen Gerritse [Van Schaick], for goods to his content and satisfaction received, the sum of forty-eight guilders, to be received from his monthly wages and subsistence, which he, at Fort Orange, in the service of the honorable company has earned as corporal; further, said Sacharias Sickels, or the lawful holder of this, hereby authorizes said sum of forty-eight guilders to be asked for, and received at Amsterdam, in New Netherland, at the treasury of the same, and being received to pass acquittance therefor, which shall be valid as though given by the subscriber himself; futher to do and perform all things for the receipt of said sum, which he, the subscriber, being present, could or might do; also if the matter should require more special authority than is expressed in this paper, promising

at all times to hold good and true all that shall be done by virtue of this paper, under pledge of his person and goods.

Done in Fort Orange, in presence of Dirk Janse Croon and Gysbert Van Imborgh,[1] as witnesses hereto invited, on this 10th day of October, A. D. 1659.

SACHARYAS SYCKELSE.

Dirck Janse Croon.
Gysbert Van Imbroch.

Acknowledged before me,

LA MONTAGNE, Clerk at Fort Orange.

Appeared before me Johannes La Montagne in the service of, etc., in the presence of Francoys Boon and Jan Verbeeck, magistrates of the same jurisdiction, Thomas Jansen Mingael[2] who declared that he had granted and transferred, as by these presents he does grant and transfer in real and actual possession to the behoof of Teunis Teunisse Metselaer (Mason) his heirs or assigns, a house and lot lying in the aforesaid village adjoining to the north Mattheus Abrahamse [Van Deusen][3] to the south Wouter de Ramaecker (window-maker), to the east and West the street, breadth on north and south sides, four rods, length from the one street to the other,[4] which said lot was granted by patent to Hage Bruynsen[5] and by him conveyed to Gillis Pieterse [Timmerman], from whom it was received by conveyence, and acknowledges that he has received satisfaction for said house and lot from the grantee, wherefore he frees it from all claims and pretentions which may hereafter arise on pledge of his person and estate, real and personal, present and future, placing the same in subjection to all laws and judges.

Done in Fort Orange the 2d of November, 1659.

TOMAS JANSE MINGAEL.

Francoys Boon,
Jan Verbeeck,

Acknowledged before me,

LA MONTAGNE, clerk at Fort Orange.

Appeared before me Johannes La Montagne in the service of etc., Meyndert Frederickse and Carsten Frederickse burghers and inhabitants of said village of Beverwyck who declare that they have granted and transferred as by these presents they do grant and transfer in real and actual pos-

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[1] Gysbert Van Imborch was a surgeon, and inhabitant of Wiltwyck.

[2] Jan Tomase Mingael of New Amsterdam was deceased on 3 Nov. 1642, when his widow Jannetie Martens had the paternal estate settled upon her children.—*Dutch Manuscripts*, II, 35. His son Tomas Janse Mingael, settled in Beverwyck and married Maritie Abrahamse, daughter of Abraham Pieterse Vosburgh; he died about 1662.—*Dutch Manuscripts*, XVI, 29; X, 301. He left one son, Capt. Johannes Tomase Mingael who married Mayke Oothout. His brother Pieter Tomase M. died in 1706.—*Church Records*. The name early disappeared from the records of Albany.

[3] Three brothers Van Deusen, viz: Melgert, Mattheus, and Jacob, sons of Abraham V. D., settled in Albany county. By his wife Helena, Mattheus had three sons, Robert, Jan, and Isaac, who became the heads of families.—*Church Records*.

[4] Hage Bruyns of Smallandt bought a lot in New Amsterdam in 1653. In 1656, he owned a lot in Beverwyck.—*Dutch Manuscripts*. He married Anneke Janse of Holsteyn, 29 March, 1653. His son Bruyn Hage born 22 Nov. 1651, settled in Esopus and married Geesie Schurmans in New York, 10 Dec. 1681.—*Valentine's Manual*.

[5] This lot was on the west side of Broadway between Maiden Lane and Steuben street, running back to James street.

session to the behoof of the Honorable Magistrates of Fort Orange and village of Beverwyck a lot for a house lying in said village, to the west Rem Jansen [Smith] length six rods four feet and four inches, to the north Jan Dareth in the rear two rods, to the east Jan Harmense, length six rods eleven feet three inches, on the street breadth two rods six feet eight inches, which breadth of said lot extends as far as the present house, with all the title which the grantors have had, and could claim in said place, promising to free said lot from all claims or pretensions which may hereafter arise, on pledge of their persons and estates real and personal, present and future, and submitting the same to all laws and judges.

At the same time have they the said magistrates conveyed said lot again to Jan Costersen Van Aeckens as they the above mentioned grantors have received it, with all the title and pretensions which they have in the same, promising to free the same from all claims, on pledge as before. Done in Fort Orange the 10th of December A. D., 1659, in presence of Johannes Provoost and Lowies Cobussen as witnesses hereto called.

KARSTEN FREDERICKSEN.

This is the mark of + MEYNDERT FREDERICKSE, set by himself.

FRANCOYS BOON.

ANDRIES HERBERTSEN.

SANDER LENRSEN [GLEN].

Johannes Provoost witness.

Acknowledged before me,

LA MONTAGNE, Clerk at Fort Orange.

Appeared before me Johannes La Montagne, in the service of, etc., in the presence of Sander Leendersen [Glen] and Jan Verbeeck, commissaries of the same jurisdiction, Marcelis Janse [Van Bommel], who declared that he had granted and transferred, as by these presents he does grant and transfer in real and actual possession to the behoof of Cornelis Wynkoop his heirs or assigns, a house and lot, lying in the Village of Beverwyck, to the south the grantor, to the north Pieter Bronck, to the west the hill, to the east the street; the lot is in breadth, thirty wood feet, and in length according to the patent, except what was taken for a street, which lot the grantor received by conveyance from Goosen Gerritse [Van Schaick], and Goosen Gerritse by patent from the Heer director general and council of New Netherland, of date 25 October, A. D. 1653, for which house and lot the grantor acknowledges to have received satisfaction and promises the same, to free from all claims, demands and pretensions which hereafter may arise, on pledge of his person and estate, real and personal, present and future, putting the same in subjection to all laws and judges.

Done in Fort Orange, the 11th of December, A. D. 1659.

MARCELYS JANSEN.

Sander Leursen.

Jan Verbeeck.

Acknowledged before me,

LA MONTAGNE, Clerk at Fort Orange.

Appeared before me Johannes Provoost, clerk of the court of Fort Orange and Village of Beverwyck, Cobus Janssen and the honorable Frans Barentse Pastoor, burgher and inhabitant of the aforesaid village, who declare, in presence of the afternamed witnesses, that, in friendship and amity, they are agreed about the purchase of a house, to wit, that Cobus Jansen sells his house and lot, lying in the Village of Beverwyck aforesaid, with all that is fast by earth and nailed, adjoining to the south Jacob Tyssen Van der Heyden, and to the north Lambert Albertse Van Neck,[1] east and west the street; the lot is as long and broad as it stands in fence, and that for the sum of nine hundred guilders in beavers, which sum the said Frans Barentse promises to pay in three installments; the first on the first of July next coming, the number of forty beavers; the second installment on the first of July, 1661, the half of the remainder; and the remainder on the first of July, 1662; the first of May next coming the seller grants delivery as also the conveyance, with all the right, title and ownership which the said seller has had therein.

Thus done in presence of Arent Van den Bergh and Jan Cloet, as witnesses hereto invited, on this 10th of January, A. D. 1660, in Fort Orange.

This is the mark of + COBUS JANSSEN, set by himself.
FRANS BARENTSE PASTOOR.
This is the mark of AVB *Arent Van den Bergh., set by himself.*
Johans Clute, as witness.

Acknowledged before me, JOHANNES PROVOOST, Clerk.

Appeared before me Johannes La Montagne, in the service of, etc., in the presence of Anderies Herbertsen and Jan Verbeeck, commissaries of the same jurisdiction, Woutert Albertsen [Van den Uythoff],[2] burgher and inhabitant of the aforesaid village, who declared that he had granted and transferred as by these presents he does grant and transfer in real and actual possession to the behoof of Jurriaen Teunissen [Glasemaeker], his heirs or assigns, a house and lot, lying in the said village; the lot is in length to the south of the street, eighteen rods and six feet; to the east, breadth five rods; to the north the kil, length eighteen rods seven feet; to the west Jochem [Wesselse] de Backer [baker], four rods and eight feet, which aforesaid house and lot the grantor received by conveyance from Jochem Wesselse [de Backer], of date the 16th of July, 1658, and Jochem Wesselse by patent from the Heer director general and council of New Netherland, of date the 25th of October, 1653; and promises said house and lot to free from all claims, demands and pretensions, which may hereafter come against them; on pledge of his person and estate, real and personal, present and future, and placing the same in subjection to all laws and judges.

Done in Fort Orange, the 2d of Feb., 1660. WOUTER ALBERTSEN.
Jan Verbeeck.
Andries Herberts.

Acknowledged before me, LA MONTAGNE, Clerk at Fort Orange.

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[1] Lambert Albertse Van Neck was in Beverwyck, in 1655; in 1656 he was fined for an assault, committed in the colony, and in 1660 was complained of for opposing the collection of the chimney tax.— *Dutch Manuscripts.*

[2] In 1657, Wouter Albertse bought a lot in Beverwyck, bounded east and south by the river and the [Rutten] kil and north by the Alley [State street?].— *Deeds*, 1, 73.

Appeared before me Johannes La Montagne, in the service of, etc., in the presence of Sander Leendersen [Glen] and Jan Verbeeck, commissaries of said jurisdiction, Teunis Teunissen Metselaer, who declared that he had granted and transferred as by these presents he does grant and transfer in real and actual possession, to the behoof of the honorable Anderies Herbertsen and Philip Henderickse [Brouwer], their heirs or assigns a house and lot, lying in the village of Beverwyck, adjoining to the north Pieter Adriaensen [Soogemackelyck], to the south Adriaen Janse Van Leyden, east and west a street, length and breadth according to the patent, which Carsten Janssen received from the Heer director general and council of New Netherland, of date the 25th of October, A. D. 1653; for which house and lot the grantor acknowledges he has had satisfaction and promises to free the same from all claims, demands or pretensions which may hereafter arise against the same; pledging his person and estate, real and personal, present and future, subjecting the same to the force of all laws and judges.

Done in Fort Orange, the 19 Feb., 1660.

TEUNIS TEUNISSE METSELAER.

Jan Verbeeck.
Sander Leursen.

Acknowledged before me,

LA MONTAGNE, Clerk in Fort Orange.

Appeared before me Johannes La Montagne, in the service of, etc., in the presence of Sander Leendersen [Glen] and Jan Verbeeck, commissaries of said jurisdiction, the honorable Anderies Herbertsen, who declared that he had granted and transferred as by these presents he does grant and transfer, in real and actual possession, to the behoof of Leendert Philipse [Conyn], burgher and inhabitant of the aforesaid village, his heirs or assigns, a house, lot and garden, lying in said village of Beverwyck, adjoining to the north Pieter Bronk, to the south Jan Verbeeck, length and breadth according to the specification of the patent to the grantor, given by the heer director general and council of New Netherland, in the year 1652; for which house, lot and garden the grantor acknowledges that he has received satisfaction and promises to free the same from all claims, demands and pretensions, which may hereafter arise, on pledge of his person and estate, real and personal, present and future, putting the same in subjection to all laws and judges.

Done in Fort Orange, the 19th of Feb., A. D. 1660.

ANDRIES HERBERTS.

Jan Verbeeck.
Sander Leursen.

Acknowledged before me,

LA MONTAGNE, Clerk in Fort Orange.

Appeared before me Johannes La Montagne, in the service of, etc., in the presence of the honorable Francoys Boon and Jan Verbeeck, commissaries of the same jurisdiction, Jurriaen Teunisse [Glazemacker], burgher and inhabitant of said village, who declared that he had granted and transferred, as by these presents he does grant and transfer, in real and actual possession, to the behoof of Anderies Herbertsen, also burger and inhabitant of the aforesaid village of Beverwyck; his heirs or assigns, a

house and lot, lying in the village of Beverwyck, adjoining to the south the street, to the east and west a road, length and breadth ten rods with a piece of a lot, also to the south of the house about twenty-three feet, which lot the grantor by patent received from the Heer director general and council of New Netherland. At the same time said Anderies Herbertsen transferred the aforesaid house and lot, as also the piece of a lot, lying on the side of the house, to Jan Martense de Wever, or those who may hereafter receive title from him, and that in real and actual possession and ownership, also the aforesaid grantors acknowledge that they have had satisfaction, and they accordingly promise to free the same from all demands and pretensions, which may hereafter arise against it, pledging their persons and estates, real and personal, present and future, putting the same in subjection to all laws and judges.

Done in Fort Orange, the 24th of Feb., 1660.

JUREJAN TUNSEN.
ANDRIES HERBERTS.

Francoys Boon.
Jan Verbeeck.

Acknowledged before me,

LA MONTAGNE, Clerk at Fort Orange.

Appeared before me Johannes Provoost, clerk of the court of Fort Orange, etc., in the presence of the afternamed witnesses, Cornelis Woutersen, and declared that he had appointed and empowered as by these presents he does Jan Anderiessen [Cuyper?], in the subscribers name and for his sake to demand collect and receive from Cornelis Pieterse Hoogenboom,[1] at present living at Amsterdam, in New Netherland, the sum of ten and a half beavers and a hundred and forty guilders in seewant, growing out of money disbursed; for the receipt acquittance to pass, which shall be valid, as though given by the subscriber himself; further to do and perform all for the obtaining of said sum, as the subscriber aforesaid himself being present might or could do, and if the matter requires more special authority than stands expressed in this paper, promising at all times to hold good and true whatever shall be done by virtue of this paper, on pledge of his person and estate.

Thus done in Fort Orange, in the presence of Daniel Verveelen and Jan Pieterse Muller, as witnesses hereto called, on the 30th of April, 1660.

CORNELIS WOUTERSE.

Jan Pieterse Mulder.
Daniel Verveelen.

Appeared before me Johannes La Montagne, in the service of, etc., in the presence of Sander Leendersen [Glen] and Jan Verbeeck, commissaries of said jurisdiction, Jacques Tyssen [Van der Heyden], who acknowledged that he is honestly and truly indebted to Teunis Spitsbergen and Barent Pieterse [Coeymans, the miller], in the sum of one hundred and seven and twenty guilders for board, which the aforesaid

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[1] Cornelis Pieterse Hoogeboom engaged to work for Gerrit Slichtenhorst at tile making, from January to November, 1661, for sixty beavers, half in tiles. He, afterwards, associated with himself Jan Andriese De Graaf, and set up the tile and brick making business in New York.— *Valentine's Manual.* After the death of himself and wife Jannetie, his heirs petition for the survey of the Great Vly in Kingston, owned by him in his life time.— *English Manuscripts.*

Jacques Tyssen has received, and promises to pay the said sum from the first hire of his house, lying in the Village of Beverwyck, where Nicolaes Marrechael[1] dwells; further the aforesaid Jacques Tyssen specially mortgages his said house, for the payment of the aforesaid sum, for which he pledges his person and estate, real and personal, present and future, submitting the same to all laws and judges.

Done in Fort Orange, the 9th of June, A. D. 1660.

JACQUES TEYSSEN.

Jan Verbeeck.
Sander Leursen.

Acknowledged before me,

LA MONTAGNE, Clerk at Fort Orange.

Appeared before me Johannes La Montagne, clerk of Fort Orange and Village of Beverwyck, Heer Hendrick Van Dyck, who declared, in presence of the afternamed witnesses, that he had appointed and empowered as by these presents he does, Johannes Provoost, in the subscriber's name and for his sake, to demand, collect and receive here in Fort Orange, in New Netherland, such moneys as are due to him according to bonds and other evidences of debt, which serve the same purpose; for his receipts acquittance to pass, and in case of refusal to pay, with law and rigor of justice to proceed to sentence and extreme execution, and by arrest, against persons and goods, and further all things to do and perform, which shall be esteemed reasonable by the attorney, promising to hold as good and true all that the attorney shall do, provided he render a suitable statement and return when required of his transactions and receipts.

Thus done and passed in Fort Orange, in presence of * * * *, as witnesses hereto invited, on this 8th of July, A. D. 1660.

H. VAN DYCK.

Appeared before me Johannes La Montagne, in the service of, etc., in presence of the honorable Frans Barentse Pastoor and Jan Verbeeck, commissaries of the same jurisdiction, Jan Michielsen [Van Edam], inhabitant of the aforesaid place, who declared that he is truly and honestly indebted to Mr. Paulus Schrick, in the sum of eighty guilders in good whole merchantable beavers, for goods to his content received, which said sum he promises to pay to the aforesaid Schrick or to his attorney next spring, 1661, with interest on the same from this date, for which said sum of eighty guilders and the interest aforesaid, the said Jan Michielsen his house and lot, lying in the Village of Beverwyck, mortgages and specially pledges for the payment of the said sum, pledging his person and estate, real and personal, present and future, submitting the same to all laws and judges.

Done in the Fort Orange, the 28th of July, A. D. 1660.

JAN MYCHGYELSEN.

Frans Barentse Pastoor.
Jan Verbeeck.

Acknowledged before me,

LA MONTAGNE, Clerk at Fort Orange.

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[1] Nicolaus Marichal was an absconding debtor in 1662.— *Dutch Manuscripts*, x, 291

(The second mortgage on the house of Jan Michielsen).

Appeared before me Johannes La Montagne, clerk of Fort Orange and Village of Beverwyck, in the presence of Frans Barentse Pastoor and Jan Verbeeck, commissaries of the same jurisdiction, Jan Michielsen, who declared that he is well, truly and honestly indebted to Mr. Asser Levy Van Swellem, in the sum of one hundred and eighty-four guilders in good whole merchantable beavers, for goods to his content received, and promises said sum of one hundred and eighty-four guilders in beavers to pay in the coming spring, 1661, about June, for which aforesaid sum the said Jan Michielsen mortgages and specially pledges his house and lot, lying in the Village of Beverwyck, and at present occupied by him, for the payment of said sum, for which he pledges his person and estate, real and personal, present and future, submitting the same to all laws and judges.

Done in Fort Orange, the 28th of July, A. D. 1660.

JAN MYCHGYELSEN.

Frans Barentse Pastoor.
Jan Verbeeck.

Acknowledged before me,

LA MONTAGNE, Clerk at Fort Orange.

Conditions on which Pieter Bronck proposes to sell at public sale to the highest bidder his brewery or brew house as it at present stands, situate in the village of Beverwyck. *Firstly.*— The brewery or brew house shall be delivered to the buyer with all that is fast by earth and nailed, besides, all the brewing tools as they stand and have been used by the seller among which are a kettle of eleven half barrels, liquor tub (*nat kuyp*), work tub, wort tub (*geyl*), cooler, and barreling trough (?), the buyer shall receive the half of, as they shall be found in the brewery, or whatever the mark of the seller shall be found upon, *a neest kleet*, and the stones of the old *neest* which stands in the mill house to build a new one, together with the lot, breadth to the east forty-six wood feet, breadth to the west thirty-eight wood feet, to the south length one hundred and twelve wood feet, to the north, length one hundred and fourteen wood feet.

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Conditions on which Pieter Bronck proposes to sell at public sale to the highest bidder, his house and lot lying in the village of Beverwyck on the hill, and at present occupied by Jan Van Breemen. *Firstly.*— The aforesaid house shall be delivered to the seller, with all that is fast by earth and nailed, with the lot five rods broad, and in length twenty rods according to the patent thereof, and also a little house connected therewith.

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Conditions on which Tomas Janse Mingael proposes to sell at public sale to the highest bidder a lot lying in Amsterdam in New Netherland to the south, Reynout de Schoemaecker. *Firstly.*— The aforesaid lot,

in breadth twenty-five [feet] and in length about sixty feet to the rear fence, shall be delivered to the buyer. * * * *

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Conditions on which Mr. Schrick proposes to sell to the highest bidder a house which shall be delivered to the buyer immediately, to be paid for in beavers, the half cash down, and the other half within two months, or otherwise in seewant at 12 guilders the beaver. The buyer shall be holden to furnish two sufficient sureties at once to the content of the seller. The auction fees are to be a charge to the buyer. Eldert Gerbertse remained the highest bidder for the above house, for the sum of 154 guilders, and as surety has offered Capt. Jan Jacobse [Flodder or Gardenier ?] according to the conditions.

Done in the village of Beverwyck the 30th day of July A.D., 1659.

ELDERT GERBERTSEN,
JAN JACOBS.

Conditions on which Mr. Pieter Hartger and Jan Roeloffse propose to sell at public sale to the highest bidder their house lying in the village of Beverwyck. *Firstly.*—Said house with all that is fast by earth and nailed, lying on the third [Vossen] kil where said Jan Roeloffse dwells, shall be delivered to the buyer, with a lot, in length along the road nine rods, breadth at one end on Jan Martense [De Wever's] lot thirteen rods, breadth on the river side seven rods. * * * *

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Conditions on which Dominie Gideon Schaets proposes to sell at public sale to the highest bidder, a lot lying in the colony of Rensselaerswyck, to the north Hendrick Reur, south Roeloff Swartwout,[1] length to the bushes and breadth 80 feet. * * * *

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Appeared before me Johannes Provoost, clerk of the court of Fort Orange and village of Rensselaerwyck, Michiel Janse [Van Edam,] and Lowies Cobus, who declare in the presence of the afternamed witnesses, that with all friendship and amity they have agreed, to wit, that the aforesaid Michiel Janse has sold to said Lowies Cobussen his house lying in Fort Orange, to the east Arent Vanden Bergh, to the west Teunis Spitsbergen, with such title as the seller possesses, and according to conveyence which said seller with the first payment shall deliver; for which Lowies Cobus promises to pay the sum of 550 guilders, which payment the buyer shall receive at Manhatans at the treasury of the honorable priveleged West India company as a deduction from his wages or salary, (in such pay as the honorable company are giving their servants on the condition that the aforesaid house remain as a pledge to the seller for the full payment), to wit, in four installments, the first next May, A.D., 1660, being 150 guilders, the second installment on the first of May, A.D., 1661, likewise 150 guilders, the third installment shall be

[1] For some account of Roeloff Swartwout, see O'Callaghan's *New Netherland*, vol. ii, p. 131, etc.

paid on the first of May, A.D., 1662, of like amount, and the fourth and last, on the first of May, A.D., 1663, 100 guilders. All on pledge of his person and estate, real and personal, present and future, placing the same in subjection to all laws and judges, in presence of Jan Pieterse [Mulder ?] and Arent Van den Bergh as witnesses.

Done in Fort Orange the last of July, Ano,, 1659.

By me, MICHGHEL JANSE,
Jan Pieters. LUDOVICUS COBES.

This is the mark of **AB** *Arent Van den Bergh.*

Acknowledged before me,

JOHANNES PROVOOST, Clerk.

Appeared before me Johannes La Montagne, in the service of, etc., in the presence of the honorable Sander Leendersen [Glen] and Jan Verbeeck, commissaries of the same jurisdiction, Ulderick Kleyn,[1] burgher and inhabitant of the aforesaid place, who declared that he had granted and transferred as by these presents he does grant and transfer in real and actual possession to the behoof of Jan Tomassen also burgher and inhabitant here, his heirs or assigns, a lot for a garden lying on Fort Orange, to the south Lucas Pieterse [Coeymans,] to the north a plain, to the east the cart road, to the west the plain, breadth five rods, and length seven rods, which said lot for a garden the grantor received by patent from the Heer director general and council of New Netherland, of date the first of November, A.D., 1653, and which he accordingly promises to free from all claims, demands, or pretensions which may hereafter arise, for that purpose pledging his person and estate, real and personal, present and future, and placing the same in subjection to all laws and judges.

Done in Fort Orange the first day of August, A.D., 1659.

ULDERICK KLEIN.

Jan Verbeek,
Sander Leursen,

Acknowledged before me,

LA MONTAGNE, Clerk in Fort Orange.

Appeared before me Johannes La Montagne, in the service of, etc., in the presence of the honorable Francoys Boon and Anderies Herbertsen, commissaries of the same jurisdiction, Ulderick Kleyn, burgher and inhabitant of the aforesaid place, who declared that he had granted and transferred, as by those presents he does grant and transfer in real and actual possession to the behoof of Jan Hendericks Van Bael also burgher and inhabitant of the aforesaid village, his heirs or assigns, a house and lot lying in the village of Beverwyck bounding to the south on Symon Groot, to the north Ryer Elbertse, east and west the cart road, breadth four rods, and length eight rods according to patent, granted to him by the Heer director general and council of New Netherland of date the

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[1] Ulderick Kleyn was an inhabitant of New Amsterdam in 1642.— *Dutch Manuscripts*, II, 26. In 1657 he was in Beaverwyck and brought an action against Eldert Gerbertsen for slandering his wife, XVI, 112, *bis*.

25th of October, A.D., 1653, which he accordingly promises to free from all demands, claims or pretensions which may hereafter arise, for which he pledges his person and estate, real and personal, present and future, placing the same in subjection to all laws and judges.

Done in Fort Orange the 2d of August, A.D., 1659.

ULDERYCK KLEIN.

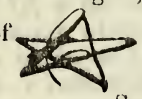
Francoys Boon,
Andries Herberts.

Acknowledged before me,

LA MONTAGNE, Clerk at Fort Orange.

Appeared before me Johannes La Montagne, in the service of etc., in the presence of Anderies Herbertsen and Jan Verbeeck commissaries of said jurisdiction, Jan Coster Van Aecken and Stoffel Janse [Abeel] Attorneys for Pieter DeMaecker, who declare that they have granted and transferred as by these presents they do grant and transfer to Cornelis Cornelisse the boor (de boer) and Daniel Verveelen their heirs or assigns, a house and lot lying in the village of Beverwyck, the house as broad as it stands, length twenty-five feet, and the lot extending in the rear to the kil, breadth at the house, or north end the same as the house front, length from the rear of the house to the [Rutten] kil sixty-five feet back to the kil from the common fence of Dirk Janse Croon to the end of a straight line drawn from the first post set on the east side to the rear breadth if said place, which place is in breadth in the rear eighteen feet, on condition that whenever the old house of Cornelis Vosch is torn down, a proper drip shall be furnished by or demanded from said Vosch, also that the grantee shall receive the water that comes from the gutter; with all the right and title which the grantor has had therein, for which aforesaid house and lot the grantor acknowledges that he has received satisfactory payment, promising to free the same from all demands and pretensions which may hereafter arise, for which he pledges his person and estate, personal and real, present and future, submitting the same to all laws and judges.

Done in Fort Orange the 8th of August, A.D. 1659.

This is the mark of  JAN COSTER VAN AECKEN, with his own hand set.

STOFFEL JANSE.

Acknowledged before me,

LA MONTAGNE, Clerk at Fort Orange.

Appeared before me Johannes La Montagne in the service of, etc., in the presence of the honorable Francoys Boon and Jan Verbeeck commissaries of said jurisdiction Jan Roeloffse [De Goyer] burgher and inhabitant of the aforesaid village who declared that he had granted and transferred as by these presents he does grant and transfer in real and actual possession to the behoof of the Honorable Pieter Hartgers also a burgher and inhabitant here, his heirs or assigns a house and lot lying in the village of Beverwyck aforesaid, to the south the third kil to the east [west?] Jan Martensen [De Wever] to the north of the street, which aforesaid lot along the cart road is in length 9 rods, breadth on the end

of Jan Martensen's lot 13 rods breadth on the river bank 7 rods, with all the right and title which the aforesaid Jan Roeloffse has possessed, promising the same also to free from all claims, demands and pretensions which may hereafter arise, for which he pledges his person and estate, personal and real, present and future, placing the same in subjection to all laws and judges.

Done in Fort Orange the 12th of August, A. D., 1659.

JAN ROELOFFSEN

Francoys Boon,
Jan Verbeeck.

Acknowledged before me,

LA MONTAGNE, Clerk at Fort Orange.

Appeared before me Johannes La Montagne, in the service of, etc., in the presence of honorable Francoys Boon and Anderies Herbertsen, commissaries of the some jurisdiction, the honorable Sander Leendersen Glen who declares that he is well, truly and honestly indebted to the honorable Direk Janse Croon in the number of 145 good whole beavers, which he promises to pay to the aforesaid Direk Janse Croon or his attorney on the first of June A. D., 1659, for which he pledges his person and estate personal and real, present and future, specially mortgaging and pledging for the payment of the aforesaid number of beavers his house and lot lying in the village of Beverwyck where Jan Vinhagel dwells.

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[This paper was not executed.]

Done in Fort Orange the 14th August, A. D., 1659.

Appeared before me Johannes La Montagne, in the service of etc., in the presence of the honorable Anderies Herbertsen and Jan Verbeeck commissaries of the same jurisdiction, Jurriaen Teunisse [Glasemacker], who declares that he has granted and transferred as by these presents he does grant and transfer to the behoof of Jan Roeloffse [De Goyer] his heirs or assigns a house and lot lying in the village of Beverwyck, to the south the third [Vossen] kil, to the east [west?] Jan Martensen [De Wever,] to the north the street, which aforesaid lot along the street is in length 9 rods, breadth on the end of Jan Martense's lot 13 rods, breadth on the river bank 7 rods, which said lot was conveyed to the grantor by the Heer director general and council of New Netherland of date the 25th of October, A. D., 1653; with all the right and title which the aforesaid grantor has had therein, and therefore frees the grantee from all claims, demands or pretensions which may hereafter arise against the same, pledging his person and estate personal and real, present and future and submitting the same to all laws and judges.

Done in Fort Orange the 14th of August, A. D., 1659.

JUREYAN TUNSEN.

Andries Herberts,
Jan Verbeeck.

Acknowledged before me,

LA MONTAGNE, Clerk at Fort Orange.

Appeared before me Johannes La Montagne, in the service of, etc,, in the presence of the honorable Sander Leendersen [Glen] and Jan Verbeeck commissaries of the same jurisdiction, the honorable Michiel Janssen [Van Edam] burgher and inhabitant here, who declares that he has granted and transferred as by these presents he does grant and transfer in real and actual possession to the behoof of Lowies Cobussen, his heirs or assigns a house lying in Fort Orange, which aforesaid house the grantor received by conveyance from Frans Barentse Pastoor of date the 20th of November, A.D., 1656, and the said Frans Barentse, from Jacob Janse Hap [or Stoll], who received a patent from the Heer director general and council of New Netherland of date the 3d of July, A.D., 1649 : with all the right, title and interest which the grantor has had therein, and therefore promises said house to free from all claims and pretensions which may hereafter arise against the same, pledging his person and estate, real and personal, present and future, and submitting the same to all laws and judges.

Done in Fort Orange the 14th of August, A.D., 1659.

MACHGHYEL JANSE.

Appeared before me Johannes La Montagne, in the service of, etc., in the presence of the honorable Francoys Boon and Anderies Herbertsen, commissaries of the same jurisdiction, Roeloff Swartwout, who declares that he has granted and transferred, as by these presents he does grant and transfer in real and actual possession for the behoof of Philip Pieterse Schuyler his heirs or assigns a garden lying in the village of Beverwyck, to the east, the road, to the west, Dominie Schaets, to the south, Annatie Bogardus, which said garden was granted by the Heer director general and council of New Netherland to Antony De Hooges deceased, former husband of the wife of said Roeloff Swartwout, the length and breadth according to the patent which shall be delivered to the grantee together with all the right, title and interest which the grantor has had therein, who promises to free the same from all claims, demands or pretensions which may arise against the same, pledging his person and estate, real and personal, present and future, putting the same in subjection to all laws and judges.

Done in Fort Orange the 15th of August, A.D., 1659.

ROELOFF SWARTWOUT.

Francoys Boon,
Andries Herberts.

Acknowledged before me,

LA MONTAGNE, clerk in Fort Orange.

Appeared before me Johannes La Montagne, in the service of, etc., in the presence of the honorable Sander Leendersen [Glen] and Jan Verbeeck, commissaries of the same jurisdiction, Stoffel Janse [Abeel], who declares that he has granted and conveyed, as by these presents he does grant and convey, in real and actual possession, to the behoof of the honorable Francoys Boon, his heirs and assigns, a house and lot lying in the village of Beverwyck, east, west, and north, a street, south, Gillis Pieterse [Timmerman,] length and breadth according to the patent or as it stands in fence, which patent was given to the grantor by the Heer Director General and council of New Netherland of date the 25th of

October, A.D., 1653, together with all the right, title and interest which the aforesaid Stoffel Janse has had in the same, who also acknowledges that he has had satisfaction therefor, and therefore promises to free said house and lot from all claims, demands or pretensions which may hereafter arise against the same, pledging his person and estate, real and personal, present and future, putting the same in subjection to all laws and judges.

Done in Fort Orange the 15th of August, A.D., 1659.

STOFFEL JANSE ABEEL.

Sander Lenrsen,
Jan Verbeeck,

Acknowledged before me,

LA MONTANGE, clerk at Fort Orange.

Appeared before me Johannes La Montagne, in the service of, etc., in the presence of honorable Francoys Boon and Anderries Herbertsen, commissaries of said jurisdiction, Teunis Cornelisse Slingerland, who declares that he has granted and conveyed as by these presents he does grant and convey in real and actual possession to the behoof of the honorable Johan Dareth, burgher and inhabitant of the aforesaid village, his heirs or assigns a house and lot, lying in the Village of Beverwyck, to the north, the grantor, to the south, Henderick Gerritse [Van Wie], to the east, the street, to the west, Jacob De Brouwer, length thirty feet, and breadth twenty-eight wood feet; which aforesaid lot the grantor received by conveyance from the patent of Jacob De Brouwer, with whom the said patent remains, with all the right, title and interest, which the aforesaid Slingerland has had therein, who also acknowledges that he has had satisfaction therefor; and promises the said house and lot to free from all claims, demands or pretensions, which may hereafter arise against the same, pledging his person and estate, real and personal, present and future, and submitting the same to all laws and judges.

Done in Fort Orange, the 15th of August, A. D. 1659.

TUENYS CORNELIS SLYNGHERLANT.

Francoys Boon.
Andries Herberts.

Acknowledged before me,

LA MONTAGNE, Clerk in Fort Orange.

Appeared before me Johannes La Montagne, in the service of, etc., in the presence of the honorable Sander Leendersen Glen and Jan Verbeeck, commissaries of the same jurisdiction, Leendert Philipse [Conyn], burgher and inhabitant of the aforesaid village, who declares that he has granted and conveyed as by these presents he does grant and convey in real and actual possession, to the behoof of Henderick Hendericksse his heirs or assigns, a house and lot, lying in the Village of Beverwyck, to the south, Claas Janse, to the north, the grantor, to the east, the river bank, to the west, the highway, length nine rods, and breadth thirty six wood feet, which lot is a part of the patent of Anderies Herbertsen, granted him by the Heer director general and council of New Netherland, of date the 23d of April, A. D. 1652, for which house and lot the grantor acknowledges that he has had satisfaction, and promises the same to free from all claims, demands and pretensions which may hereafter arise

against the same, pledging his person and estate, real and personal, present and future, submitting the same to all laws and judges.

Done in Fort Orange, the 15th of August, A. D. 1659.

LEENDERT PHYLIPSE.

Sander Leursen.
Jan Verbeeck.

Acknowledged before me,

LA MONTAGNE, Clerk in Fort Orange.

Appeared before me Johannes La Montagne, in the service of, etc., in the presence of Sander Leendersen [Glen] and Jan Verbeeck, commissaries of the same jurisdiction, Henderick Hendericksse, who declares that he has granted and conveyed as by these presents he does grant and convey in real and actual possession to the behoof of Stoffel Janse [Abeel], his heirs or assigns, a house and lot, lying in the Village of Beverwyck, to the south, Claas Janse, to the north, Leendert Philipse [Conyn], to the east, the river bank, to the west, the highway, length nine rods, and breadth thirty-six wood feet, which lot is a part of the patent of Anderies Herbertsen, granted him by the Heer director general and council of New Netherland, of date the 23d of April, A. D. 1652, for which aforesaid house and lot the grantor acknowledges that he has had satisfaction, and accordingly promises to free the same from all claims or pretensions which may hereafter arise against the same, pledging his person and estate, real and personal, present and future, submitting the same to all laws and judges.

Done in Fort Orange, the 15th of August, A. D. 1659.

HENDERICK HENDERICKSEN.

Sander Leursen.
Jan Verbeeck.

Acknowledged before me,

LA MONTAGNE, Clerk at Fort Orange.

Conditions on which Pietertie Janse proposes to sell at public sale to the highest bidder some household articles, to be paid for on the date hereof within twenty-four hours in good whole merchantable beavers.

Done in Beverwyck, the 15th of August, 1659.

Arnout Cornelise [Viele], two pewter pans,	*f*	8.00
Anthony Janse, 3 ditto plates and one ditto pan,	*f*	6.00
Cornelis Teunisse, a silk cloak,	*f*	14.00
Idem, a black coat,	*f*	32.00
	f	60.00

Appeared before me Johannes La Montagne, in the service of, etc., in the presence of the honorable Sander Leendersen [Glen] and Jan Verbeeck, commissaries of said jurisdiction, Roeloff Swartwout, who declares that he is well, truly and honestly indebted to the honorable Jan Bastiaensen Van Gudsenhoven in the sum of one hundred and forty-seven guilders in good whole merchantable beavers, and promises to pay the same on the first of July of the coming year, 1660; for the payment of which aforesaid sum he, Roeloff Swartwout, aforesaid mortgages and

specially pledges his house and lot, lying in the Village of Beverwyck, where he at presents dwells, as also the patent which is in the custody of the said Gudsenhoven, until the time of the full payment, all on pledge of his person and estate, real and personal, present and future, submitting the same to all laws and judges.

Done in Fort Orange, the 16th of August, A. D. 1659.

ROELOFF SWARTWOUT.

Appeared before me Johannes La Montagne, in the service of, etc., on the date underwritten in the presence of the afternamed witnesses, Claes Cornelisse, husband and guardian of Ariaentie Leenders, widow of the late Symon Tyssen, who declares that he has appointed as by these presents he does appoint and empower the honorable Stoffel Janse [Abeel] in the subscriber's name and for his sake to demand and receive from the honorable officers of the Orphan's Hall at Amsterdam, all such moneys as to the said Ariaentie Leenders are due from Direk Janssen, her uncle deceased, and for receipts acquittance to pass, and in the matter to act as if the subscriber were himself present, provided that the attorney shall be holden to give a proper statement and return of his transactions and receipts, promising to hold as good and true all that the attorney shall do in the matter on pledge of his person and estate, real and personal, submitting the same to all laws and judges.

Done in Fort Orange, the 16th of August, A,D., 1659, in presence of Sacharias Sickels and Johannes Provoost.

CLAES CORNELIS.

This is the mark + of Ariaentie Leenders, with her own hand set.

Sacharyas Syckelse,
Johannes Provoost, witness.

Acknowledged before me,

LA MONTAGNE, clerk at Fort Orange.

Conditions on which Symon Symonse Groot proposes to sell at public sale to the highest bidder his house and lot lying in the village of Beverwyck. *Firstly*, the house with all that is fast by earth and nailed, shall be delivered to the buyer, except a horse stable; the house is twenty feet square with a lot four rods in breadth, and seven and a half rods long.

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[This paper is incomplete and not signed.]

Appeared before me Johannes La Montagne, in the service of, etc., in the presence of the Honorable Frans Barentse Pastoor and Jan Verbeeck, commissaries of the same jurisdiction, Jan Martensen [De Wever] burger and inhabitant of the aforesaid village, who declares that he is well, truly and honestly indebted to Nicolas Meyer, merchant at Amsterdam, in New Netherland, in the sum of five hundred and seventy-six guilders in good whole merchantable beaver skins, for invoices of goods to his content received, and promises the aforesaid sum of five hundred and seventy-six guilders to pay next spring on the first of May, 1661, wherefore he mortgages and specially pledges his house and lot and garden lying in the village of Beverwyck, and at present occupied by him for the payment of the said sum in order that if need be the same may be recovered

without loss or damage, also pledging his person and estate, real and personal, present and future, submitting the same to all laws and judges.

Done in Fort Orange, the 2d of August, A.D. 1660.

This is the mark + of Jan Martensen, with his own hand set.

Jan Verbeeck,
Frans Barens Pastoor.

Acknowledged before me,

La Montagne, clerk at Fort Orange.

Appeared before me Johannes La Montagne, in the service of, etc., in the presence of the honorable Sander Leenderse [Glen] and Rutger Jacobsen commissaries of the same jurisdiction, Pieter Lockermans senior, burger and inhabitant of said village, who declares that he has granted and conveyed as by these presents he does grant and convey in real and actual possession to the behoof of Jan Costerse Van Aken his heirs or assigns, his house and lot lying in the village of Beverwyck adjoining to the south Henderick *De Backer*, to the north the grantor, the lot and house is in front on the street one rod eleven feet and nine inches wide, length north and south five rods less three inches, to the west the breadth is one rod and eleven feet, which lot is a part of the patent to him, the grantor, given by the Heer director general and council of New Netherland, of date the 7th of July, A. D., 1653; for which house and lot the grantor acknowledges that he has satisfaction and promises the same to free from all demands, claims and pretensions which may hereafter arise against the same, pledging his person and estate, personal and real, present and future, and submitting the same to all laws and judges.

Done in Fort Orange the 2d of August, 1660.

Pieter Loockermans.

Sander Lenrsen,
Rutger Jacobsen.

Acknowledged before me,

La Montagne, Clerk at Fort Orange.

Appeared before me Johannes Provoost, clerk of the court of Fort Orange and village of Beverwyck, Nicolaes Meyer merchant at Amsterdam in New Netherland, who declared in presence of the afternamed witnesses that he had appointed and empowered as by these presents he does appoint and empower Jan Costersen Van Aken, burger and inhabitant of the aforesaid village of Beverwyck, to appear before the court in his absence, and to defend his action for injuries done against the subscriber by Pieter Adriaensen Soogemackelyck, and further the same by process of law, the affidavits and other evidences to produce for the advantage of the subscriber; to proceed against the said Pieter Adriaense, and all things to do and perform which the subscriber being present might or could do; and if the matter requires greater and more special authority than stands expressed herein, promising at all times to hold good and true all that shall be done by virtue of this paper, on pledge of his person and estate, personal and real.

Thus done in Fort Orange the 3d of August, A. D. 1660, in presence

of Reyndert Pieterse [Baroquier] and Pieter Bronck as witnesses hereto invited.

NICOLAES MEYER.

This is the mark R P *of Reyndert Pieterse with his own hand set.*
Pieter Bronck.

Appeared before me Johannes La Montagne, by the Heer director general and council of New Netherland admitted vice director and clerk at Fort Orange and village of Beverwyck, residing at said Fort, in the presence of the honorable Rutger Jacobsen and Evert Janse Wendel, commissaries of the same jurisdiction, Pieter Bronck burger and inhabitant of the aforesaid village, who declares that he is well, truly and honestly indebted to Reyndert Pietersen [Baroquier,] in the sum of eight hundred and thirty-two guilders in good whole merchantable beaver's skins for goods to his content received with the interest on the same; which above written sum of eight hundred and thirty-two guilders together with the interest aforesaid, he promises to pay on the first of July, 1661, and specially he pledges his brewery and lot lying in the village of Beverwyck as a mortgage for the payment of the aforewritten sum, as also his person and estate real and personal, present and future, submitting the same to all laws and judges.

Done in Fort Orange the 4th of August, A.D., 1660.

PIETER BRONCK.

Rutger Jacobsen,
Evert Janse Wendel.

Acknowledged before me,

LA MONTAGNE, Clerk at Fort Orange.

I, the undersigned Reyndert Pieterse, acknowledge that the above mortgage which stands as a charge against Pieter Bronck is wholly paid and satisfied.

Done in Fort Orange the 5th of August, A.D., 1662.

This is the mark of R P REYNDERT PIETERSE, with his own hand set.

In my presence,

J. PROVOOST, Clerk.

Appeared before me, Johannes Provoost, in the service of, etc., Madame Johanna Ebbinghs, wife of Jeronimus Ebbinghs, who declares in the presence of the afternamed witnesses, on the one side, that she has sold, and Aert Pieterse [Tack,] and Jan Willemsen, of the other side, that they have bought a piece of land lying in the Esopus in New Netherland, adjoining to the north and to the west the seller, to the south the thicket [*kreupel bosch,*] to the east the hill, comprising forty-eight morgens and seventy-two rods, for the sum of six hundred and fifty guilders to be paid in three installments; the first, on the first of June, A.D. 1661, two hundred guilders, in good whole beavers; the second, on the first of June, A.D. 1662, half in grain at market price, and the other half in beavers as before; and the third installment on the first of June, A.D. 1663, two hundred and fifty guilders in grain, whole beavers as specified above.

Thus done and with the friendship and amity of all, contracted and agreed in the presence of Arent Van den Bergh and Gillis den Necker as witnesses hereto invited on this 5th of August, A.D. 1660, at Fort Orange.

JOHANNA EBBINCK.

This is the mark of ꝑ AERT PIETERSE with his own hand set.

This is the mark of + JAN WILLEMSEN with his own hand set.

This is the mark of AB *Arent Van den Bergh, with his own hand set.*

This is the mark of + Gillis den Necker, with his own hand set.

Appeared before me Johannes La Montagne, by the Heer director general, etc., in the presence of honorable Jan Veerbeck and Frans Barentse Pastoor, commissaries of the same jurisdiction, Sander Leendersen Glen, who acknowledges that he is well, truly and honestly indebted to Dirck Janssen Croon, in the sum of five hundred and seventy-six guilders, with interest on the same at ten per cent, to begin from this date to be paid in good whole merchantable beaver skins, at eight guilders a piece, which aforesaid sum of five hundred and seventy-six guilders Sander Leenderse aforesaid promises to pay to the said Dirck Janssen Croon, or his attorney, in the month of June, 1661, specially pledging therefor his house and lot, lying in the Village of Beverwyck, adjoining to the east, Jan Tomassen, to the west, Annetie Bogardus, and which Jan Vinhagel at present occupies, as a fast pledge and mortgage for the payment of the aforesaid sum, and on a pledge of his person and estate, real and personal, present and future, the same submitting to all laws and judges.

Done in Fort Orange, the 13th of August, A. D. 1660.

SANDER LENRSEN.

Jan Verbeeck.
Frans Barentse Pastoor.

LA MONTAGNE, Clerk at Fort Orange.

Appeared before me Johannes La Montagne, in the service of, etc., Adriaen Janssen Croon, now about to depart for *patria*, who declares, in the presence of the afternamed witnesses, that he has appointed and empowered, as by these presents he does, the honorable Adriaen Gerritsen [Papendorp] in the subscriber's name and for his sake to demand, collect and receive here in Fort Orange, in New Netherland, or elsewhere in Manhatans such debts and moneys as to him are due, according to the evidences thereof, of his receipts acquittance to pass, and in case of refusal of payment, to procure by law and the rigor of justice, sentence and extreme execution, and even by arrest to proceed against persons and goods, and moreover all things to do and perform which he, the subscriber being present might or could do, promising at all times to hold as good and true all that shall be done by virtue of this paper, under pledge according to law.

Thus done in Fort Orange, the 20th of August, A. D. 1660, in presence of Johannes Provoost and Nataniel Pieterse [Van Leyden], as witnesses.

ADRYAEN JANSE CROON.

Johannes Provoost, witness.
Nathaniel Pieterse.

Appeared before me Johannes La Montagne, by the Heer director general etc., the honorable commissaries of this jurisdiction in the persons of Anderies Herbertsen and Rutger Jacobsen, who declare that they have granted and conveyed as by these presents they do grant and convey in real and actual possession to the behoof of Adriaen Janse Van Ilpendam and Catalyn Berx widow of the late Dirk Bensinck, their heirs or assigns, a certain lot lying in the village of Beverwyck, to the south Dirk Bensick deceased, to the north Adriaen Janse Van Ilpendam, east and west a street, breadth twenty-eight feet and four inches length from one street to the other, to wit east and west, which lot the aforesaid grantors in the aforementioned character promise to free from all claims or pretensions which may hereafter come against it, arising from the interest which the community of this place or the village of Beverwyck may have in the same.

Done in Fort Orange the 23d of August, A. D. 1660.

ANDRIES HERBERTS.

Acknowledged before me,

LA MONTAGNE, Clerk in Fort Orange.

Appeared before me Johannes LaMontagne, by the Heer director general etc., in the presence of the honorable Johan Verbeeck and Evert Jansen Wendel, commissaries of the same jurisdiction, Catalyn Berex widow of the late Dirck Bensick who declares that she has granted and conveyed as by these presents she does grant and convey in real and actual possession to the behoof Jacob Tyssen Van der Heyden, his heirs or assigns, a certain house and lot lying in the village of Beverwyck adjoining to the south Adriaen Jansen Van Ilpendam and to the north the grantee, the lot to the north is ten rods long, to the south the same, East and west the breadth is one rod, eleven feet and six inches, which lot is a part of the patent granted to Daniel Rinchout by the Heer director general and council of New Netherland, of date the 25th of October, A. D. 1653, which the grantor aforesaid has received from him by conveyance; also her part of the lot received by conveyance from the honorable commissaries of this jurisdiction; for which the grantor acknowledges that she has received full satisfaction and therefore promises the same to free from all demands, claims or pretensions which may hereafter arise, on a pledge of her person and estate personal and real, present and future, submitting the same to all laws and judges.

Done in Fort Orange the 23d of August, A. D. 1660.

This is the mark × of Catalyn Berex with her own hand set.

Jan Verbeeck.
Evert Janse Wendel.

Acknowledged before me,

Clerk at Fort Orange.

(Copy).

Appeared before us undersigned magistrates [Schepenen] of the city of Amsterdam in New Netherland, Tryntie Janse the wife of Rut Jacobsen dwelling at Fort Orange in the village of Beverwyck, and acknowledges that she is well and truly indebted to the Heer Cornelis Steenwyck magistrate of the city aforesaid in the sum of five thousand four hundred and eighty-two guilders and two stuivers growing out of the matter of an obligation of date the 24th of November, 1657, passed by her husband to him, Heer Steenewyck, which aforesaid five thousand four hundred and eighty-two guilders and two stuivers, she, the subscriber, by virtue of a power of attorney of date the 27th of August, 1658, from her husband Rut Jacobsen aforesaid, wherein was approved whatever shall be done by her in this matter; promised to satisfy and pay next May, 1659, with interest on the same at one per cent a month beginning on the first of May, 1658 and ending in May, 1659 aforesaid, in good whole beavers at eight guilders apiece, pledging therefor as a special mortgage her house and lot standing and lying here in the Manhattans, to the north, the High street, to the west, the house and lot of William Herck, as also the subscriber's certain house and lot standing and lying in Fort Orange; also her person and estate, real and personal, nothing excepted, subject to all laws and judges. In witness of the truth, this is subscribed by her as well as by the Heer magistrates, Johannes De Peyster and Isaac De Forcest this 4th of September 1658, in Amsterdam, in New Netherland, and confirmed by the Heer president, the city seal being affixed.

Below stood, agrees with the original aforesaid; and was subscribed.

JOHANNES NEVIS, Secretary.

Appeared before me Johannss La Montagne by the Heer director general, etc., the honorable Rutger Jacobsen, commissary of the same jurisdiction, who has requested that the above mortgage should be recorded in the Register of this Court, which in presence of Anderies Herbertsen and Evert Janse Wendel, magistrates of said court is done, to be used in fitting time and place.

Done in Fort Orange, the 24th of August, A.D. 1660.

RUTGER JACOBSEN.
EVERT WENDEL.

Appeared before me, Johannes La Montagne, by the Heer director general, etc., in the presence of honorable Andries Herbertsen and Frans Barentsen Pastoor, magistrates of said court, Jan Martensen [de Wever,] who acknowledges that he is well, truly and honestly indebted to Mr. Jan Bastiaensen Van Gudsenhoven in the sum of one thousand and forty-two guilders two stuivers and eight pennies in good whole merchantable beaver skins at eight guilders apiece, growing out of the receipt of invoices of goods and merchandise, which said sum of one thousand and forty-two guilders two stuivers and eight pennies, the aforesaid Jan Martensen promises to pay to the said Jan Bastiaensen Gudsenhoven, or his attorney on the first of July, 1661, for which the aforesaid Jan Martensen specially pledges and mortgages his house, lot and garden lying in the village of Beverwyck and not at present occupied, to secure the payment if need be of the aforesaid sum without cost and loss; also his

person and estate, real and personal, present and future, nothing excepted, submitting the same to all laws and judges.

Done in Fort Orange the 24th of August, A.D. 1660.

This is the mark of + JAN MARTENSE with his own hand set.

Andries Herbertsen,
Jan Barentsen Pastoor.

Acknowledged before me,

LA MONTAGNE, Clerk at Fort Orange.

Appeared before me, Johannes La Montagne, in the service of, etc., Daniel Rinckhout inhabitant of Beverwyck, who declares in the presence of the afternamed witnesses that he has appointed and enpowered as by these presents he does appoint and empower Sacharius Janssen, dwelling at Munnekendam in Holland in the subscriber's name and for his sake to request of Nicholaes Broeck, dwelling at Amsterdam, one of the guardians of the subscriber, a statement and return of the administration of the guardianship which he has exercised over the effects belonging to the subscriber by way of the estate of Johannes Rinckhout deceased, the subscriber's uncle, acquittance to pass for said statement and return to be received, and in said matter to act as the subscriber himself, being present could or might do without any exception; and in case of refusal the said Nicolaes Broeck to sue, and before a competent judge to carry the matter to a definitive sentence, from said sentence to appeal or acquiesce therein, according as he shall judge proper, with power in case of need, for furthering the business, in his place one or more persons to substitute; promising to hold good and true all that the attorney in the matter shall do, renouncing all customs and laws which might militate against his good intentions (provided that the attorney shall make a statement and return to the subscriber of his doings), on pledge of his person and estate, real and personal, present and future, submitting the same to all laws and judges.

Done in Fort Orange in New Netherland the 25th of August, A.D. 1660, in presence of Johannes Provoost and Zacharias Sickels as witnesses hereto invited.

DANIEL RINGHOUT.

Zacharias Syckels,
Johanness Provoost, witness.

LA MONTAGNE, V.D., and Clerk at Fort Orange.

Appeared before me, Johannes Provoost, clerk, etc., Carel Janssen at present about to depart for *Patria*, who declares in presence of the afternamed witnesses, that he has appointed and empowered, as by these presents he does appoint and empower Pieter Gillissen dwelling in the aforesaid village of Beverwyck in the subscriber's name, and for his sake, to demand, collect and receive here in Fort Orange in New Netherland, or elsewhere in Manhatans, such outstanding debts and moneys as to him, the subscriber, are coming according to the evidences and writings thereto serving; of the receipts quittance to pass, and in case of refusal, payment to compel by law and rigor of justice to sentence and extreme execution, and to proceed by arrest against persons and goods; moreover

all things to do and perform which he the subscriber himself being present could and might do, provided that the attorney shall be holden a proper statement and return to make to the subscriber, on pledge of his person and estate, real and personal.

Thus done in Fort Orange in presence of Dirk Henderickse and Andries Hanssen as witnesses hereto invited, on this 27th of August, A.D., 1660.

CAREL JANSE.

This is the mark of ⊞ *Dirk Henderickse.*
This is the mark of + *Andries Hanssen.*

Acknowledged before me,

JOHANNES PROVOOST, Clerk.

Appeared before me Johannes Provoost, in the service of, etc., Teunis Pieterse Temper, at present ready to depart for *patria*, who declares, in the presence of the afternamed witnesses, that he has appointed and empowered as by these presents he does appoint and empower Pieter Gillissen and Dirk Carstensen, at present dwelling in said village, in the subscriber's name and for his sake, to demand, collect and receive here in Fort Orange, in New Netherland, or elsewhere in Manhatans, such outstanding debts and moneys as to him, the subscriber, are owing according to the evidences and writings thereto serving, for the receipts quittance to pass, and in case of refusal payment to compel by law and rigor of justice to sentence and extreme execution, also to proceed by arrest against persons and goods, and further all things to do and perform which the subscriber himself being present, might or could do, provided that the attorney be holden a proper statement and return to make to the subscriber of his doings, on pledge of his person and estate, real and personal.

Thus done in Fort Orange, in presence of Dirk Henderickse and Anderies Hanse [Scherp ?], as witnesses hereto invited, on the 27th of August, A. D. 1660.

THUENES PIETERSEN TEMPER.

This is the mark of H *Dirk Henderickse.*
This is the mark of × *Anderies Hanssen.*

Acknowledged before me,

JOHANNES PROVOOST, Clerk.

Appeared before me Johannes La Montagne, in the service of, etc., in the presence of honorable Anderies Herbertsen and Evert Wendel, magistrates of said jurisdiction, Marretie Pieterse, widow of the late Anderies Van der Sluys, who acknowledges that she is well, truly and honestly indebted to the honorable Gerrit Bancker and Harmen Albertse Vedder, in the sum of five hundred Carolus guilders in good whole merchantable beaver skins, at eight guilders a piece, which sum of five hundred guilders she promises to pay to said Bancker and Harmen Vedder or to their attorneys, as soon as possible; and she specially mortgages her house, lot and garden, lying in the Esopus, next to Thomas Chambers, for the payment and satisfaction of the aforesaid sum, on a

pledge of her person and estate, real and personal, present and future, nothing excepted, the same submitting to all laws and judges.

Done in Fort Orange, the 28th of August, 1660.

This is the mark of + MARRETIE PIETERSEN,
with her own hand set.

Andries Herberts.
Evert Janse Wendel.

Acknowledged before me,

LA MONTAGNE, Clerk at Fort Orange.

Appeared before me Johannes La Montagne, in the service of, etc., in the presence of the honorable Frans Barentsen Pastoor and Evert Wendel, magistrates of the same jurisdiction, Pieter Meessen Vrooman, who declares, that he has granted and conveyed as by these presents he does grant and convey to the behoof of Cornelis Cornelisse Sterrevelt his heirs or assigns, a house and lot, lying in the Village of Beverwyck (together with a garden, lying on the third [Vossen] kil, to the east, Albert De Ramaker, length nine rods; to the north, Anderies De Vosch, breadth five rods seven feet six inches; to the east a low (*leegh*) lot, length seven rods; to the south, a cartway, breadth five rods seven feet six inches); to the south, Symon Groot, length seven rods four feet; to the east, a road, breadth four rods; to the north, Eldert de Goyer, length seven rods and four feet; to the west, a road, breadth four rods; which lot the grantor received by patent, of date the 17th of August, 1660; for which aforesaid house, lot and garden the grantor acknowledges that he has had satisfaction, and in consequence promises to free the same from all demands, claims and pretensions, which may hereafter arise, on pledge of his person and estate, real and personal, present and future, submitting the same to all laws and judges.

Done in Fort Orange, the first of September, A. D. 1660.

PIETER MEESE VROOMAN.

Frans Barentsen Pastoor.
Evert Janse Wendel.

Acknowledged before me,

LA MONTAGNE, Clerk in Fort Orange.

Appeared before me Johannes La Montagne, in the service of etc., in the presence of the honorable Anderies Herpertsen and Jan Verbeeck, magistrates of the same jurisdiction, Cornelis Cornelise Sterrenvelt, who declares that he has granted and conveyed as by there presents he does grant and convey in real and actual possession to the behoof of Cornelis Teunissen Bosch, his heirs or assigns a house and lot lying in the village of Beverwyck, to the south Symon Groot, length seven rods four feet, to the east a road breadth four rods, to the north Eldert Degojer, length seven rods four feet; to the west a road breadth four rods together with a lot for a garden lying on the kil, to the east Albert De Ramaker, length nine rods, to the north Anderies De Vosch, breadth five rods seven feet six inches, to the west a low lot length seven rods, to the south a cart road breadth five rods seven feet six inches, which lot and garden was granted by patent from the Heer director general and council to Pieter Meese

Vrooman of date the 17th of August 1660, from whom the grantor received the same by conveyance, and promises to free the same from all demands, claims or pretensions which may hereafter arise on pledge of his person and estate, real and personal, submitting the same to all laws and judges.

Done in Fort Orange the first of September A.D., 1660.

CORNELIS CORNELISSEN STERRENVELT.

Andries Herberts.
Jan Verbeeck.

Acknowledged before me,

LA MONTAGNE clerk at Fort Orange.

Appeared before me Johannes La Montagne, in the service of etc., in the presence of the honorable Anderies Herbertsen and Jan Verbeeck, magistrates of the same jurisdiction, Rem Janssen Smit burger of the aforesaid village of Beverwyck; who declares that he has granted and conveyed as by these presents he does grant and convey in real and actual possession to the behoof of Cornelis Teunisse Bosch his heirs or assigns a house and lot lying in the village of Beverwyck, adjoining to the east Adriaen Gerritsen [Papendorp] to the west Jan Tomassen, is two rods and two feet broad in front on the road, to the west and east length six rods three feet, to the north breadth two rods and eight feet, which lot was granted to Rut Adriaensen by the Heer director general and council of New Netherland by patent of date 23d of April 1652, and by him conveyed to Frederick Gerritsen from whom the grantor received it by conveyance, for which aforesaid house and lot the grantor acknowledges that he has had satisfaction and promises to free the same from all demands claims or pretensions which may hereafter come against the same, pledging his person and estate personal and real present, and future, submitting the same to all laws and judges.

Done in Fort Orange, on this 3d of September A.D., 1660.

REM YANSEN.

Andries Herberts.
Jan Verbeeck.

Acknowledged before me,

LA MONTAGNE Clerk at Fort Orange.

Appeared before me Johannes La Montagne, in the service of etc., in the presence of the honorable Jan Verbeeck and Evert Wendel, magistrates of the same jurisdiction, Rem Janssen Smit burger and inhabitant of the aforesaid village, who declares that he has granted and conveyed as by these presents he does grant and convey in real and actual possession to the behoof of Jan Tomassen also burgher and inhabitant here, his heirs or assigns, a house and lot lying in the aforesaid village of Beverwyck, adjoining to the west Jan VanAecken, and to the east Cornelis Teunisse Bosch, in breadth in front on the street two rods one foot and six inches, to the east length six rods three feet, to the north breadth one rod, six feet, to the west length six rods and three feet, which lot was granted to Rut Adriaensen by patent of the Heer director general and council of New Netherland, of date the 23d, of April 1652, and by him conveyed to

Henderick Gerristen, by whom it has been received by conveyance by the grantor, who promises said house and lot to free from all demands, claims and pretensions, which may hereafter arise, on pledge of his person and estate, real and personal, present and future, submitting the same to all laws judges.

Done in Fort Orange the 3d of August A.D., 1660,

REM YANSEN.

Jan Verbeeck.
Evert Janse Wendel.

Acknowledged before me,

LA MONTAGNE Clerk, at Fort Orange.

Appeared before me Johannes La Montagne, in the service of, etc., in the presence of the honorable Frans Barentse Pastoor and Evert Jansen Wendel, magistrates of the same jurisdiction, Philip Henderickse [Brouwer], who acknowledges that he is well, truly and honestly indebted to Henderick Anderiesse [Van Doesburgh], in the sum of three thousand one hundred and forty-four guilders, payable in good whole merchantable beavers skins, at eight guilders a piece, growing out of the purchase of a house and brewery, which aforesaid sum of three thousand one hundred and forty-four guilders the said Philip Henderickse promises to pay on the first of July, A. D. 1661, and specially therefor pledges his aforesaid house, brewery and lot, as a fast mortgage for the payment of the aforesaid sum, that in case of necessity said sum may be recovered without cost and loss, on a pledge also of his person and estate, real and personal, present and future, nothing excepted, submitting the same to all laws and judges.

Done in Fort Orange, the 2d of September, A. D. 1660.

PHILIP HENDERICKSEN.

Frans Barentse Pastoor.
Evert Janse Wendel.

Acknowledged before me,

LA MONTAGNE, Clerk at Fort Orange.

Appeared before me Johannes La Montagne, in the service of, etc., Wouter Aertsen Van Nieukerck, who declares, in the presence of the afternamed witnesses, that he has appointed and empowered as by these presents he does appoint and empower the honorable Harmen Albertsen Vedder, in the subscriber's name and for his sake, in fatherland to ask for, demand and receive from the right honorable the Heeren directors of the privileged West India Company at the Chamber of Amsterdam, a certain hundred and nine guilders fourteen stuivers and two pennies, due to him, the subscriber, for his monthly wages and subsistence earned in their service as a soldier, according to the settlement, signed Willem Kieft, the aforesaid sum of one hundred and nine guilders fourteen stuivers and two pennies to receive, and being received quittance to pass, which shall be valid as if the same was given by the subscriber; further, all things to do and perform which he, the subscriber, being present might or could do even although the matter requires greater and more special authority than stands expressed herein; promising to hold good

and true all that shall be done by virtue of this paper, on a pledge of his person and estate, real and personal.

Thus done in Fort Orange, the 3d of September, A. D. 1660, in presence of J. Provoost and Jan Pieterse Muller.

This is the mark + of WOUTER AERTSEN,
with his own hand set.

Johannes Provoost, witness.
Jan Pieterse Mulder.

Acknowledged before me,

LA MONTAGNE, Clerk at Fort Orange.

Appeared before me Johannes La Montagne, in the service of etc., Henderick Anderiessen [Van Doesburgh] dwelling in the aforesaid village, who declares in the presence of the after named witnesses that he has appointed and empowered, as by these presents he does appoint and empower, Mr. Abel Wolff dwelling at Amsterdam, in the subscriber's name and for his sake to demand, collect and receive of Mr. Gerrit Barentsen Koers also dwelling at Amsterdam, the five thousand six hundred and ninety-one guilders and fifteen stuivers due to the subscriber according to the writings and proofs hereto annexed; of the receipt quittance to pass, and in case of refusal the payment to compel by law and rigor of justice unto sentence and extreme execution; also to proceed by arrest against persons and goods. Further to do and perform all that he shall judge proper, with power in case of need to further the business, one or more persons in his place to substitute, promising to hold good and true all that the attorney in said business shall do, renouncing all customs and laws which might militate against his good intentions, provided that the attorney be holden to make a proper statement and return, on pledge of his person and estate personal and real, present and future, and submitting the same to all laws and judges.

Done in Fort Orange in New Netherland in presence of Gysbert Van Imborgh and Johannes Provoost as witnesses hereto invited on the 10th of September, A. D., 1660.

HENDRYCK ANDRIESEN.

Gysbert Van Imbroch.

Acknowledged before me,

LA MONTAGNE, Clerk at Fort Orange.

Appeared before me Johannes La Montagne, in the service of etc., Madame Johanna De Laedt assisted by the Honorable Jeronimus Ebbinck as husband and guardian of the same, on the one side, and Tjerck Claessen [DeWit] inhabitant of the Colony of Rensselarswyck of the other side, who have agreed and contracted with each other as follows: to wit, that the said woman Johanna De Laet grants *per forma* of exchange two pieces of land lying in the Esopus north-west of the inner [binne] kil of Esopus and lying beyond the same; the north field comprises five and thirty morgens and one-hundred and fifty-five rods, and the other adjoining the west side consists of thirty-five morgens and one-hundred and ten rods; in exchange for which Tjerk Claessen aforesaid has given his house twenty feet long and with the passage way [uytlaet] thirty feet broad, and lot (the lot is ten rods and nine and twenty feet long) lying in the village of Beverwyck, adjoining on the east side the

street, on the west side the garden of Henderick Anderiessen and Lambert Van Neeck, and on the north side the house of Lambert Van Neck, and on the south side the house of Hendrick de Backer, provided that the respective parties shall deliver proper contracts and instruments securing perfect possession on the first of May, A. D., 1661, without craft or guile, on pledge of their persons and estates, personal and real, present and future, submitting the same to all laws and judges.

Done in Fort Orange the first of September, A. D., 1660, in presence of Jan Pieterse Mulder and Arent Janse.

JOHANNA DE LAET.
JERONIMUS EBBINCK.
TJERK CLAESSEN DEWITT.[1]

Jan Pieterse Mulder.
Arent Janse.

LA MONTAGNE, V. D., and Clerk at Fort Orange.

Appeared before me, Johannes La Montagne, in the service of, etc., Mr. Daniel Verveelen, merchant here, who declares that he has appointed and empowered by these presents, Wouter Albers, burgher and inhabitant of the village of Beverwyck, in his name and for his sake to ask and demand payment of such moneys and of such persons as the settlements and other papers which the subscriber has given into the hands of the attorney shall indicate, against said persons to proceed by process of law to definitive sentence, from said sentence to appeal or acquiese therein, as he shall think proper, for moneys received acquittance to pass, and in said matter to act as if the subscriber were himself present, provided the attorney shall be bound, of his doings and receipts a settlement and return to make to the subscriber, promising to hold good and true all that the attorney in this matter shall do, on pledge of his person and estate, real and personal, present and future, submitting the same to all laws and judges.

Done the 18th of September, 1660, in presence of Jan Pieterse and Geurt Hendrickse [Van Schoonoven.]

DANIEL VERVEELEN.[2]

Jan Pieterse,
Geuert Heyndrycksen.

LA MONTAGNE, Clerk at Fort Orange.

Appeared before me, Johannes La Montagne, in the service of, etc., Madame (*Juffrou*), Johanna De Laet, wife of Jeronimus Ebbinck, who declares in presence of the afternamed witnesses, on the one side that she has sold, and Aert Jacobsen on the other side, that he has bought, a certain piece of land lying in the Esopus in New Netherland, adjoining on the northeast side the land of Jan Schoon and Aert Pieterse Tack, on the northwest side Tierck Claessen [De Witt], southwest the hill, containing forty-seven morgens and two hundred and fifteen rods, for the sum of six hundred guilders, half beavers and half wheat at market price,

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[1] The above contract was probably carried out as Tjerk Claese soon after this became an inhabitant of Ulster county.

[2] In 1687 Daniel Verveelen probably lived at Spuyting Duyvil; he petitons for a renewal of a grant for a ferry there, formerly held by his father.—*Eng. Manuscripts*, XXV, 135.

in three installments, to wit, in June, 1661, the third part of said sum, in June, 1662, another third part, and the remaining third part in June, 1663, the said Madame promising to free said lot from all demands and pretensions which may come against said land, the respective parties for maintenance of said contract pledging their persons and estates, real and personal, present and future, and submitting the same to all laws and judges (as the acceptant also does his person).

Done in Fort Orange the 17th of September, 1660, in presence of Jan Pieterse Muller and Geurt Hendrikse as witnesses.

JOHANNA DE LAET,
AERT JACOBSEN.

Jan Pieterse Mulder,
Geurt Heyndryckssen.

Acknowledged before me,

Clerk at Fort Orange.

On the last day of September, A.D., 1660, the slaughter excise was offered at public sale by the honorable clerk and commissaries of Fort Orange according to the conditions of the year 1659, and Marcelis Janse [Van Bommel] remained the last bidder for the sum of seven hundred and twenty guilders, for which sum his sureties were Cornelis Teunissen Bosch and Gerrit Slechtenhorst, each for all, as principals, on pledge of their persons and estates, real and personal, present and future, submitting the same to all laws and judges. Done *ut supra.*

MARCELYS JANSEN,
CORNELIS THONISSE BOS,
GERRIT SLICHTENHORST.

Acknowledged before me,

LA MONTAGNE, Clerk at Fort Orange.

Appeared before me, Johannes La Montagne, in the service of, etc., Rem Janssen Smit, who declares in the presence of the afternamed witnesses that he has appointed and empowered, as by these presents he does appoint and empower, Daniel Rinckhout, burger and inhabitant of the aforesaid village, in his name and for his sake, to demand, collect and receive here in Fort Orange such debts and moneys as to him the subscriber are due according to the following specification: first from Jan Helmersen[1] the sum of sixty-five guilders in beavers or wheat, from Eldert Gerbertsen, forty-one guilders payable as before, and from Evert Pels forty-two guilders; from Jan Tyssen [Goes][2] thirty-six guilders; from Gysbert Van den Bergh thirty-two guilders; and in case of refusal, payment to compel by law and rigor of justice to definitive sentence and extreme execution, also to proceed by arrest against persons and estates; further, all things to do and perform, which he, the subscriber, being present could or might do, although the matter may require greater and more special authority than stands expressed in this paper, provided the attorney be holden to make to the subscriber a proper statement and return, on pledge of his person and estate, real and personal.

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[1] *Alias* Jan de Bock.

[2] Jan Tyssen Goes came to Rensselaerwyck in 1630 as a trumpeter in the fort. By his wife Styntje Janse Van Hoesen he had eight children, seven of whom are spoken of in his will made Feb. 9, 1696-7. He died 31st May, 1705.—*Albany Church Records.*

Thus done in Fort Orange, New Netherland in presence of Jan Cloet and Johannes Provoost as witnesses hereto invited, on this 3d day of October, A.D., 1660.

REM YANSEN.

Johannes Clute,
Johannes Provoost, witness.

Acknowledged before me,

LA MONTAGNE, Clerk at Fort Orange.

Appeared before me Johannes La Montagne, in the service of, etc., in the presence of the honorable Frans Barentse Pastoor and Evert Janssen Wendel, commissaries of the same jurisdiction, Cornelis Segersen [Van Voorhout,] who declares that he has granted and conveyed as by these presents he does grant and convey in real and actual possession to and for the behoof of Gerrit Slichtenhorst, his heirs and assigns, a house and lot lying in the village of Beverwyck on the hill, adjoining to the south Marcelis Janssen, to the northeast and west the street; the lot is twenty rods long, breadth to the east five rods one foot, or two exclusive, to the west the hill, breadth seven rods and a half, which lot before this, was granted by patent from the heer director general and council of New Netherland to Jan Roeloffse, from whom the grantor received it by conveyance, and promises the same to free from all demands, claims and pretentions, which may hereafter come against the same, pledging his person and estate, real and personal, present and future, submitting the same to all laws and judges.

Done in Fort Orange the 10th of December, A.D., 1660.

CORNELIS SEEGERZEEN.

Janse Barentse Pastoor,
Evert Janse Wendel.

Acknowledged before me,

LA MONTAGNE, Clerk at Fort Orange.

Appeared before me Johannes La Montagne, in the service, etc., in the presence of the honorable commissaries of the same jurisdiction, Cornelis Teunissen Bosch, who declares that he has granted and conveyed, as by these presents he does grant and convey, in real and actual possession, to and for the behoof of the aforesaid commissaries, a certain lot, being taken by their honors for public use for a street, adjoining to the south of the house of Jan Teunissen, *alias* de Paep (the priest), length thirteen rods and breadth two rods, which lot is a part of the patent to him, the grantor, given by the Heer director general and council of New Netherland, of date 23 April, 1652, for which lot the grantor aforesaid acknowledges that he has satisfaction, and promises the said lot to free from all demands, claims or pretensions, which may hereafter arise, on pledge of his person and estate, real and personal, present and future, submitting the same to all laws and judges.

Done in Fort Orange, the 10th of December, A. D. 1660.

CORNELIS THONISEN BOS.

Andries Herberts.
Jan Verbeeck.

Acknowledged before me,

LA MONTAGNE, Clerk at Fort Orange.

Appeared before me Johannes La Montagne, in the service of, etc., in the presence of the honorable Frans Barentsen Pastoor and Evert Jansen Wendel, Annetien Bogardus, who declares that she has granted and conveyed, as by these presents she does grant and convey, in real and actual possession, to and for the behoof of David Pieterse Schuyler his heirs or assigns, a part of a lot, lying in the Village of Beverwyck, adjoining to the west, the grantor, to the south and to the east, Sander Leendersen [Glen], to the north, the street; the aforesaid lot is six rods and three feet long to the west on the grantor, in front on the street one rod six feet and eight inches broad, to the east on Sander Leendersen six rods three feet, to the west one rod seven feet and eight inches broad, which aforesaid lot is a part of the patent to the grantor, given by the Heer director general and council of New Netherland, of date the 23d of April, A. D. 1652; for which the grantor aforesaid acknowledges, that she has had satisfaction, and promises to free the same from all demands, claims or pretensions, which may hereafter arise, on pledge of her person and estate, real and personal, present and future, submitting the same to all laws and judges.

Done in Fort Orange, the 22d of December, A. D. 1660.

This is the mark + of ANNETIEN BOGARDUS,
with her own hand set.

Frans Barentsen Pastoor.
Evert Janse Wendel.

Acknowledged before me,

LA MONTAGNE, Clerk at Fort Orange.

Appeared before me Johannes La Montagne, by the Heer director general and council of New Netherland admitted, etc., Pieter Adriaensen Soogemackelyck, inhabitant of the Colony of Rensselaerwyck, who acknowledges in the presence of the aforenamed witnesses, that he is well, truly and honestly indebted to Mr. Gerrit Slichtenhorst as book-keeper of the Diaconate, in the number of thirty-three and a half pieces of good whole merchantable beaver skins at eight guilders a piece, growing out of a purchase of seewant which he has received at fifteen guilders the beaver to his content, so the said Pieter Adriaensen promises the aforesaid number of thirty-three and a half beavers to pay, in the year 1661, the half in June, on pledge of his person and estate. * *

[This paper was not executed.]

Appeared before me Johannes La Montagne in the service of etc., Pieter Adriaensen Soogemackelyck inhabitant of the colony of Rensselaerwyck, who declares in presence of the afternamed witnesses that he has received from the hands of Mr. Gerrit Slichtenhorst book-keeper of the Diaconate the sum of five-hundred guilders in seewant for his use for one year from this date and no longer, for which use, the said Pieter Adriaensen promises to pay interest at 10 per cent, and at the end of said year to return the principal sum, for which he pledges his person and estate real and personal, present and future, nothing excepted, and submitting the same to all laws and judges.

Done in Fort Orange the 2d of February, A. D. 1661, in presence of.

[This bond and mortgage was not executed.]

* * * * [wanting) * * merchantable beaver skins at eight guilders apiece, growing out of the purchase of a house and lot that he the subscriber has bought at public sale of the aforesaid Francoys Boon, and as he failed in furnishing the two sufficient sureties which the conditions required, he Jochem Wesselse Backer mortgages and specially pledges the aforesaid house and lot, together with the house and lot that are at present occupied by him, for the payment of the aforesaid sum of one-thousand five-hundred and two guilders, to be collected therefrom without cost and loss after the expiration of the time stipulated in the conditions of the purchase aforesaid.

Done in Fort Orange the 1st of December, A. D., 1661.

JOCHEM BACKER.

Frans Barentse Pastoor.
Evert Janse Wendel.

Acknowledged before me,

LA MONTAGNE, Clerk at Fort Orange.

Appeared before me Johannes La Montagne, in the service of, etc., in the presence of the honorable Philip Pieterse Schuyler and Adriaen Gerritse [Papendorp,] commissaries of the same jurisdiction, the honorable Jan Dareth,[1] inhabitant of the aforesaid place, who declares that he has granted and conveyed as by these presents he does grant and convey in real and actual possession to and for the behoof of Jacob Joosten Van Covelens, his heirs or assigns, a lot for a house and a garden lying in the village of Beverwyck, to the east of the road, length, six rods, to the west, Tomas Pouwel, length, six rods, to the south, the plain, breadth three rods, according to the patent given to him, the grantor, by the Heer director general and council of New Netherland, of date the 5th February, A.D., 1660; and the grantor, promises to free said lot from all demands, claims, or pretensions which may hereafter arise, on pledge of his person and estate, real and personal, present and future, submitting the same to the authority of all laws and judges.

Done in Fort Orange the 2d of February, 1662.

JAN DARETH.

Philip Pietersen,
Andriaen Gerritsen.

Acknowledged before me,

LA MONTAGNE, Clerk at Fort Orange.

Appeared before me, Johannes La Montagne, in the service of, etc., in the presence of the honorable Aenderies Herbertsen and Evert Janssen Wendel, commissaries of the same jurisdiction, Jan Labite, inhabitant of the colony of Rensselaerwyck, who declares that he has granted and conveyed as by these presents he does grant and convey, in real and actual possession to and for the behoof of Evert Pels also an inhabitant of the colony of Rensselaerwyck, his heirs or assigns, a house standing in Fort

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[1] Jan Dareth (Dret or Droit) from Utrecht, married Ryckje Van Dyck also from Utrecht, Nov. 1, 1654, in New Amsterdam — *Valentine's Manual.* In 1657, he bought a house and lot in Beverwyck, Deeds, 1, 100.

Orange, making the curtain on the east side and adjoining to the south side of the gate, with a garden without the aforesaid fort, according to patent to him, the grantor given by the Heer director general and council of New Netherland of date the 12th of April, A.D., 1650; and promises to free it from all claims, demands or pretensions which may hereafter arise, on pledge of his person and estate, real and personal, present and future, the same submitting to all laws and judges.

Done in Fort Orange the 4th of February, A.D., 1661.

JAN LABATIE.

Andries Herberts,
Evert Janse Wendel.

Acknowledged before me,

LA MONTAGNE, Clerk in Fort Orange.

Appeared before me Johannes La Montagne, in the service of, etc., in the presence of the honorable Andries Herbertsen and Evert Janssen Wendel, commissaries of the same jurisdiction, Evert Pels inhabitant of the colony of Rensselaerwyck, who declares that he has granted and conveyed as by these presents he does grant and convey to and for the behoof of Jan Barentsen Wemp his heirs or assigns, a house standing in Fort Orange making a part of the east curtain, to the south the gate, with a garden without the said fort all according to the patent to Jan Labite granted by the heer director general and council of New Netherland, of date the 12th of April, A.D., 1650, and to him conveyed by the said Jan Labite, for which house and garden the grantor acknowledges that he has had satisfaction, and promises to free the same from all demands, claims and pretensions which may hereafter arise, on pledge of his person and estate, real and personal, present and future, submitting the same to all laws and judges.

Done in Fort Orange the 4th of February, A.D. 1661.

EVERT PELS.

Andries Herberts,
Evert Janse Wendel.

Acknowledged before me,

LA MONTAGNE, Clerk in Fort Orange.

Appeared before me Johannes La Montagne, in the service of, etc., two Indians named Maghsapeet *alias* Machackniemanauw, the other named Sansewaneuwe, also an Indian named Paneenseen, and a squaw (*wildin*), named Nipapoa, being joint owners of the island named Pachonakellick, in the presence of Aepjen and Nietamozit, being among the chiefs of the Mahikanders, who declare that they have sold, granted and conveyed as by these presents they do sell, grant and convey to and for the behoof of Anderies Herbertsen and Rutger Jacobsen inhabitants of the village of Beverwyck, a certain island named Pachonakellick lying in the river obliquely opposite Betlehem, and by the Dutch named the Long or Mahikander's island, with all the right and ownership, which they therein possess, for a certain sum in goods (*karyosaen*) to them paid and they the grantors acknowledge that they have received satisfaction therefor.

Thus Done in the village of Beverwyck in presence of Gerrit Bancker and Johannes Provoost as witnesses hereto invited on this 8th of February, A.D. 1661.

This is the mark of | | the squaw NIPAPOA, with her own hand set.

This is the mark of MACHACKNIEMANAUW, with his own hand set.

This is the mark of > SANSEWANOUWE, with his own hand set.

This is the mark of — JAN SYMON, with his own hand set.

This is the mark of + *Aepjen.*
This is the mark of 8 *Nitamorit.*
Gerrit Bancker,
Johannes Provoost.

Acknowledged before me,
LA MONTAGNE, V.D., Clerk at Fort Orange.

Appeared before me J. La Montagne, in the service of, etc., Albert Gisbert Raedemaeker (wheelwright), inhabitant of the Village of Beverwyck, and his honor Mr. Arent Van Curler, councillor of the colony of Rensselaerwyck, who declare that they have respectively contracted with each other in manner following, to wit: that the said Albert Gisbert grants and conveys as by these presents he does grant and convey in real and actual possession to said Heer Arent Van Curler his heirs or assigns, his house, lot and garden, lying in the Village of Beverwyck, adjoining on the east side Jan Barentse Wemp, on the south Wouter de Raedemaeker, on the west the highway, on the north the pallisadoes (*deffentie*), of the Village of Beverwyck; the garden lies on the third [Vossen] kil, between Andries De Vos' land, for which house, lot and garden the aforesaid Heer Arent Van Curler has given in payment two horses and a cow of three years, which horses and cow the said Albert Gisbert acknowledges that he has received to his content, and promises the transferred house, lot and garden to free from all claims and demands, and a parchment patent of the same, to deliver into the hands of said Heer Arent Van Curler; all on pledge of his person and estate, real and personal, present and future, submitting the same to all laws and judges.

Done in Fort Orange, the first of March, 1661, in presence of Jan Meynardssen and Dirk Andriesse, witnesses thereto invited.

This is the mark + of ALBERT GISBERT, with his own hand set.
A. VAN CURLER.

Jan Meinersen.
This is the mark HS *of Dirk Andriese.*

Acknowledged before me,
LA MONTAGNE, Clerk at Fort Orange.

Appeared before me Johannes La Montagne, in the service of, etc., in the presence of the honorable Frans Barentse Pastoor and Evert Janssen Wendel, commissaries of the same jurisdiction, Evert Pels, who declares that he has granted and conveyed, as by these presents he does grant and convey, in real and actual possession to and for the behoof of the Heer Jeremias Van Rensselaer, director of the colony Rensselaerswyck, on

account of the Messiers Patroons of said colony, their heirs or assigns, a house and lot, lying in the Village of Beverwyck, adjoining to the east the river, to the south on the adjoining garden of Sander Leendersen [Glen], to the west the street, to the north Volkert Janssen [Douwe], length eleven rods and breadth four rods and two feet, according to the patent, granted by the Heer director general and council of New Netherland, to Willem Frederickse Bout, of date the———, from whom the grantor received it by conveyance, provided he, the grantor, convey to the said Messieurs a garden, lying in said village, adjoining to the south Willem Teljer [Teller], and to the north Willem Bout, extending from the street to the river, length ten rods and breadth seven rods, granted by patent to Sander Leendersen [Glen], of date the 23d of April, A. D. 1652, for which house, lot and garden the grantor acknowledges that he has had satisfaction, and promises the same to free from all demands, claims or pretensions, which may hereafter arise, on pledge of his person and estate, real and personal, present and future, submitting the same to all laws and judges.

Done in Fort Orange, the 14 March, A. D. 1661.

EVERT PELS.

Frans Barentse Pastoor.
Evert Janse Wendel.

Acknowledged before me,

LA MONTAGNE, Clerk at Fort Orange.

Appeared before me Johannes La Montagne, in the service of etc., in the presence of Evert Janse Wendel and Frans Barentse Pastoor, commissaries etc., Willem Janssen Stol, husband and guardian of the widow of Claes Hendericksc [1] deceased, who declares that he has granted and conveyed as by these presents he does grant and convey in real and actual possession to and for the behoof of Johan Verbeeck commissary of the aforesaid place his heirs or assigns, a house and lot lying in said village of Beverwyck adjoining to the south and west the common street, to the north Claes Janssen and to the east also a common street, breadth on the west side fifty-seven wood feet, and to the east breadth forty-seven wood feet which lot is a part of the patent granted by the Heer director general and council of New Netherland of date the 23d of April, A. D., 1652, to Jan Tomassen from whom the grantor received the same by conveyance; for which aforesaid house and lot the grantor acknowledges that he has had satisfaction and promises to free the same from all demands, claims or pretensions which may hereafter arise, on pledge of his person and estate personal and real, present and future, submitting the same to all laws and judges.

Done in Fort Orange the 15th of March, A. D. 1661.

WILLEM JANSE.

Frans Barentse Pastoor.
Evert Janse Wendel.

Acknowledged before me,

LA MONTAGNE, Clerk at Fort Orange.

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[1] Claes Hendericksc Van Schoonhoven *alias* Timmerman.

Appeared before me Johannes La Montagne, in the service of etc., in the presence of the honorable Jan Verbeeck and Anderies Herbertsen commissaries etc., Willem Jansen Stoll husband and guardian of the widow of the late Claes Hendericksc, who declares that he has granted and conveyed as by these presents he does grant and convey in real and actual possession to and for the behoof of Jan Barentsen [Wemp] burger and inhabitant of the village of Beverwyck his heirs or assigns, a lot lying in the village of Beverwyck, adjoining to the east the street, to the south Abraham Staets, to the west the plain, to the north Claes Van Rotterdam, length twelve rods and two feet, and breadth two rods eight and a half feet, which lot is the just half of the patent to him the grantor given by the Heer director general and council of New Netherland of date the 15th of September, A. D., 1657, and promises the aforesaid lot to free from all demands, claims or pretensions which may arise on pledge of his person or estate, personal and real, present and future, the same submitting to all laws and judges.

Done in Fort Orange the 15th of March, A. D. 1661.

WILLEM JANSE.

Jan Verbeeck.
Andries Herberts.

Acknowledged before me,

LA MONTAGNE, Clerk at Fort Orange.

Appeared before me Johannes La Montagne in the service of etc, in the presence of the honorable Jan Verbeeck and Evert Jansen Wendel commissaries etc., Willem Janssen Stoll husband and guardian of the widow of Claes Hendericksc [Van Schoonhoven] deceased, who declares that he has granted and conveyed as by these presents he does grant and convey in real and actual possession to and for the behoof of Claes Jacobsen Van Rotterdam his heirs or assigns, a lot lying in the village of Beverwyck adjoining on the east side the street, on the south side Jan Barentsen [Wemp,] on the west the plain, and on the north side Teunis Dirksc [Van Vechten,] length twelve rods and two feet and breadth two rods, eight feet and a half, which lot is the just half of the patent to Claes Hendericksc deceased granted by the Heer director general and council of New Netherland of date the 15th of September, A. D. 1657, and promises the aforesaid lot to free from all demands, claims or pretensions which may arise, on pledge of his person and estate real and personal, present and future, submitting the same to all laws and judges.

Done in Fort Orange the 15th of March, A. D. 1661.

WILLEM JANSE.

Jan Verbeeck.
Evert Jansc Wendel.

Acknowledged before me,

LA MONTAGNE, Clerk in Fort Orange.

* * * * [wanting] of the above written farming of the excise of [wine and beer,] Gerritse Van Marcken remained the last bidder for the sum of three thousand, eight hundred and sixty-seven guilders according to the above conditions, on pledge of his person and

estate, real and personal, nothing excepted, submitting the same to the authority of all laws and judges.

Done in the village of Beverwyck, the 18th of November, A.D., 1661.

J. G. V. MARCKEN.

On this 19th day of November, A.D., 1661, appeared before the honorable Messieurs, Farmers of the Excise, Jurriaen Teunisse [Glasemacker,] Pieter Adriaensen [Soogemackelyck,] and Arent Vanden Bergh, who offered themselves as sureties, each as principal, for the payment of the sum of three thousand, eight hundred and sixty-seven guilders for which Jan Gerritse Van Marcken became the Farmer of the Excise, according to the above conditions, for the payment of which, pledging their persons and estates, real and personal, present and future, nothing excepted, submitting the same to the authority of all laws and judges.

Done in Beverwyck, *ut supra.*

JUREJAN TUNSEN.
PIETER ANDRIAEN.

This is the mark **AB** of Arent VAN DEN BERGH,
with his own hand set.

The above Farming of the Excise was made in presence of the Messieurs Clerk and Commissaries to which their honors bear witness.

LA MONTAGNE, Clerk at Fort Orange.
RUTGER JACOBSEN,
FRANS BARENTSE PASTOOR.
EVERT JANSE WENDEL.
ADRIAEN GERRITSE.

Appeared before me Johannes Provoost, clerk of the Court of Fort Orange and village of Beverwyck, Adriaen Symonse Boer, who declares in presence of the afternamed witnesses that he has granted and conveyed as by these presents he does, to Jan Fransen Van Hoesen two certain obligations, the one of Uldrick Kleyn for the sum of one hundred and sixteen guilders in beavers, with interest on the same; the other of Dirckjen Martensen amounting to two hundred guilders in beavers, also with proper interest, the same to be received in real ownership for the securing of the payment for board and other things, for which the assignor is indebted to the aforesaid Jan Fransen Von Hoesem, for which he pledges his person and estate, real and personal, present and future, putting the same in subjection to all laws and judges.

Done in Beverwyck the last of October, A.D. 1661, in presence of Juriaen Teunise [Glasemacker] and Aernout Cornelissen [Viele.]

ARYAEN SYMENSE.

Jurejan Tunsen, witness.
Arnout Cornelise Wilen.

Acknowledged before me,

JOHANNES PROVOOST, Clerk.

Conditions on which the clerk and commissaries of Fort Orange and village of Beverwyck, propose to farm out to the highest bidder the burgher wine and beer excise for the space of one year. The farming as well as the excise shall begin on the first of November of this year,

1661, and end on the last day of October, A.D. 1662, according to the ordinances of our fatherland. The farmer shall receive for a tun of strong beer one dollar, for a tun of small beer ten stuivers, for a hogshead of French wine six guilders, for an ancker of brandy, Spanish wine or waters [spirits] two guilders, at twelve white and six black seewants to the stuiver, and the farmer shall not refuse certificates (*ceelen*), to any burghers to whom the burgher excise has been granted (?). The collector shall be holden to furnish two sufficient sureties, each for all and as principals, to the content of the Messieurs farmers of the excise, to pay the aforesaid burger's excise, every quarter year a just fourth part of the whole sum, in good strung seewant at twelve white and six black seewants (*sewantiens*), a stuiver, and in case the collector fail of the aforesaid sureties, then the said farming shall be offered again at sale at his cost and charge, and whatever less it becomes worth he shall be holden to make good, and whatever more it shall become worth, no profit shall acrue to him. Marcelis Janse [Van Bommel] remained the last bidder for the above farming of the excise, for the sum of two thousand two hundred and eight guilders, the same to be paid at twelve white and six black seewants the stuiver, according to the above conditions, for the payment of which, Mr. Gysbert Van Imborgh and Jan Labite offer themselves as sureties and principals to the content of the Messieurs Farmers of the excise, on pledge of their persons and estates, real and personal, present and future, nothing excepted, putting the same in subjection to all laws and judges.

Done in Beverwyck the first of November, A.D. 1661.

MARCELYS JANSSEN,
JAN LABITIE,
GUYSBERT VAN IMBROCK.[1]

Appeared before me J. La Montagne, in behalf of the honorable messieurs directors of the general privileged West India company and their honors the director general and council of New Netherland, vice director and clerk at Fort Orange and the village of Beverwyck, in the presence of Philip Pieterse Schuyler and Adrian Gerritse [Papendorp,] commissaries, etc., Marcelis Janse inhabitant of the village of Beverwyck, who declares that he has granted and conveyed to Jan Gerritsen [Van Marcken,] also an inhabitant in this place, the burger excise of wine and beer here consumable, according to the above conditions, for which, Jurriaen Teunisse, Pieter Adriaenssen [Soogemackelyck] and Arent Vanden Bergh, stand sureties as principals, for which they pledge their persons and estates, real and personal, present and future, submitting the same to all laws and judges.

Done in Beverwyck the 25th of November, A.D. 1661.

J. G. MARCKEN,
MARCELYS JANSSEN
JUREJAN TUNSEN.

This is the mark **AB** of ARENT VANDEN BERGH,
Philip Pieterse [*Schuyler*,]
Adriaen Gerritse [*Papendorp.*]
Acknowledged before me,

LA MONTAGNE, Clerk at Fort Orange.

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[1] Guysbert Van Imbrock was a surgeon, and settled at Wilhwyck or Esopus.

Appeared before me Johannes La Montagne, in the service of, etc., in the presence of the honorable Evert Wendel and Adriaen Gerritsen [Papendorp] commissaries, etc., Marcelis Janssen [Van Bommel] who declares by these presents that he makes over and pledges to Doctor [*Meester*] Gysbert Van Imborgh and Jan Labité, the two last payments on his house, which Asser Levy has bought at public sale; further all his estate, real and personal, present and future, nothing excepted, all of which grows out of the bail for the burgher excise, *synde lants middelen*, which abovewritten is to last until the final payment of the aforesaid excise.

Thus done in Beverwyck, the first of November, A. D. 1661.

MAERCELYS JANSSEN.

Evert Janse Wendel.
Adriaen Gerretsen.

Acknowledged before me,

LA MONTAGNE, Clerk at Fort Orange.

Appeared before me Johannes La Montagne, in the service of, etc., in the presence of Philip Pieterse Schuyler and Adriaen Gerritse [Papendorp], commissaries, etc., Pieter Bronck, who acknowledges and declares by these presents, that he is well, truly and honestly indebted to Jacob Geveck, in the sum of two thousand two hundred and seventy-two Carolus guilders, payable in good whole merchantable beaverskins, at eight guilders a piece, for which I, Bronck, promise to pay yearly as interest one guilder for each beaver [12½ per cent], which shall continue until the full payment of the principal sum; for which I pledge my person and estate, real and personal, present and future, nothing excepted, and especially I offer as a fast mortgage and special pledge my brewhouse and millhouse with the lot, for the recovery of the aforesaid sum of two thousand two hundred and seventy-two guilders with the interest thereon, if need be, without loss or cost.

Done in Fort Orange, the 17th of November, A. D. 1661.

PIETER BRONCK.

Philip Pietersen.
Adriaen Gerretsen.

Acknowledged before me,

LA MONTAGNE, Clerk at Fort Orange.

I, the undersigned Jacob Gevick, acknowledge that the above mortgage (standing against Pieter Bronk), is fully paid and satisfied.

Done in Fort Orange, the 5th of August, A. D. 1662.

This is the mark of + JACOB GEVICK,
with his own hand set.

In my presence,

J. PROVOOST, Clerk.

Conditions on which Mr. Francoys Boon proposes to sell at public sale to the highest bidder, his house and lot, lying in the Village of Beverwyck.—*First.* The buyer shall receive the aforesaid house, kitchen and lot, as it stands in fence, with all that is fast by earth and nailed. The

delivery shall be made on the first of May, A. D. 1662, on the express condition, that the seller, after the delivery, shall occupy the aforesaid house and lot, as lessee, until the first day of November, for which the buyer shall deduct from the first payment thirteen beavers. Payment shall be made in two installments, in good whole merchantable beaver-skins, at eight guilders a piece, of which the first half shall be in June, A. D. 1662, and the second also in the month of June, 1663. With the last payment the patent shall be delivered to the buyer. The buyer shall be holden to furnish two sufficient sureties, each for all as principals, immediately, to the content of the seller. If the buyer cannot furnish the said sureties in said time, then said house and lot shall be offered for sale again at his cost and charge, and whatever less it comes to be worth, he shall make good, and whatever more it becomes worth, he shall derive no profit therefrom. The auction fees become a charge to the buyer. On the above conditions Jochem Wesselse Backer remained the highest bidder for the sum of one thousand five hundred and two guilders, on pledge of his person and estate, real and personal, present and future, nothing excepted, putting the same in subjection to all laws and judges.

Done in Beverwyck, the 18th of November, A. D. 1661.

This is the mark,– JOH BAKER,– of JOCHEM WESSELSE BACKER,
with his own hand set.

Acknowledged before me,
LA MONTAGNE, Clerk at Fort Orange.

Appeared before me Johannes La Montagne, in the service of, etc., in the presence of Frans Barentse Pastoor and Evert Janssen Wendel, commissaries, etc., Jochem Wesselse Backer, who acknowledges that he is well, truly and honestly indebted to Francoys Boon, in the sum of one thousand five hundred and two Carolus guilders, payable in good whole, * * *,

[The remainder of this bond is wanting].

Appeared before me Johannes La Montagne, in the service of, etc., two Indians, the one named Sioketas, and the other named Sachemoes, the son of Keesje Wey, owners, and having authority from the other owners, of the land upon the north river, on the westbank between Marten Gerritse's [Van Bergen] island and the *Neuten Hoeck*, among the Indians, named Koxhackung; the cleared land being a parcel away in the woods (together with the kil), extending from said kil, which lies over against Marten Gerritse's island, westward unto the Katskil path, from thence southward along the path to the Stenekil, thence eastward until over against the Noten Hoeck, and thence northward along the river to the aforesaid kil, which lies over against Marten Gerritse's island; which land and kil the grantors declare they have sold, granted and conveyed, as they do by these presents, to Pieter Bronck, inhabitant of the Village of Beverwyck, with all the right and title, which they, the grantors, therein have, for a certain sum in goods, to be paid to them, amounting to about one hundred and fifty guilders in beavers, of which sum the buyer promises to pay the half next May, when he shall come to live there, and the other half on the first of May, A. D. 1663.

Thus done in Fort Orange, the 13th of January, A. D. 1662, in presence of Jan Verbeeck, Frans Barentse [Pastoor] and Jan Dareth, as witnesses hereto invited.

This is the mark + of SIOKETAS, with his own hand set.
This is the mark of + SIACHEMOES, with his own hand set.
PIETER BRONCK.

This is the mark of + Pawanoos, as witness.
Jan Verbeeck.
Frans Barentse Pastoor.
Jan Dareth.

Acknowledged before me,

LA MONTAGNE, Clerk at Fort Orange.

Conditions on which the widow of Henderick De Backer, deceased, proposes to sell at public sale to the highest bidder her house and lot, lying in the Village of Beverwyck, to wit the same, which she at present occupies. * * * * *

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Conditions on which Jan Lambertsen [Van Bremen] proposes to sell at public sale to the highest bidder his house and lot, lying in the Village of Beverwyck and occupied by Marten Hoffman,[1] saddler (*saelmaker*). The buyer shall receive the house and lot next Amsterdam Fairday, with all that is therein fast by earth and nailed; the lot is six rods long and three rods broad, the patent of which the buyer shall receive on the last payment, with a proper conveyance. The payment shall be made in two installments in good whole merchantable beavers, the first on the delivery of said house and lot, and the second on the first of June, A. D. 1663. The buyer shall be holden to furnish two sufficient sureties, each for all as principals, immediately, to the content of the seller. If the buyer cannot furnish the above mentioned sureties in said time, then shall said house and lot be offered for sale again at his cost and charge, and whatever less it comes to be worth he shall be holden to make good, and whatever more it becomes worth, he shall derive no profit therefrom. The auction fees shall become a charge to the buyer. On the above conditions Cobus Janssen remained the buyer of the house of Jan Lambertsen, for the sum of four hundred Carolus guilders, according to said conditions; for which Frans Barentse Pastoor and Seger Cornelise [Van Voorhoudt] offered themselves as sureties and each as principals, to pay the aforesaid sum, if necessary, on pledge of their persons and estates, real and personal, present and future, submitting the same to the force of all laws and judges.

Done in Beverwyck, the 19th of January, A. D. 1662.

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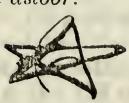
Frans Barentse Pastoor.

This is the mark  *of Seyer Cornelise, with his own hand set.*

Acknowledged before me,

LA MONTAGNE, Clerk at Fort Orange.

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[1] Marten Hoffman was still living in Albany, in 1678, when he sold his house and lot to Cornelis Cornelise Van der Hoeve.—*Deeds*, 1, 350.

Conditions on which Philip Henderickse [Brouwer] proposes to sell at public sale to the highest bidder, his brewery and millhouse, with the lot thereto belonging, except the mill, standing therein, lying in the Village of Beverwyck and at present occupied by the seller.—*First.* The buyer shall receive the aforesaid brewhouse and millhouse, as they stand with all that is fast by earth and nailed, except the mill and furniture therein, with the lot as large as it lies in fence; with the brewery shall be delivered a kettle, two tubs, a cooler, twenty-five half barrels, six beer tubs [*Vlooten*], a funnel, a scoop and a *neest* cloth. * * * * *

[This paper was not executed].

Appeared before me Johannes La Montagne, in the service of, etc., in the presence of the honorable Frans Barentse [Pastoor] and Evert Janssen Wendel, commissaries, etc., the honorable Rutger Jacobsen, who declares and acknowledges by these presents, that he is well, truly and honestly indebted to Jacob Gevick in the sum of one thousand two hundred guilders, with interest on the same at twelve per cent, beginning on the 23d of June, 1661, to be paid in good whole merchantable beaverskins, which said sum with the interest aforesaid he promises to pay in two installments, the first in this current year and the second in the year 1663, in wheat (*kooren*), or beavers, or other wares, at beavers price; wherefore the mortgager, for the payment of the same, mortgages and specially pledges his portion of the island, named Mahikanders island, lying over against Betlehem, which he owns with Anderies Herbertsen, to secure if necessary the payment of said sum of one thousand two hundred guilders, with interest on the same, without loss and cost.

Done in Fort Orange, the 3d of March, A. D. 1662.

RUTGER JACOBSEN.

Frans Barentse Pastoor.
Evert Janse Wendel.

Acknowledged before me,

LA MONTAGNE, Clerk at Fort Orange.

Appeared before me Johannes La Montagne, in the service of, etc., in the presence of the honorable Philip Pieterse Schuyler and Adriaen Gerritse [Papendorp], commissaries, etc., the honorable Sander Leendersen Glen, who declares that he has granted and conveyed as by these presents he does grant and convey in real and actual possession to and for the behoof of Jan Tomase, inhabitant of the aforesaid village, his heirs or assigns, a lot, lying in said village, adjoining the hill, to the east the grantee, to the west the grantor, length to the east on the grantee six rods, to the west on the grantor length six rods, in front [south] on the street breadth one rod four feet and six inches, to the north breadth also one rod four feet and six inches, which lot is a part of the patent to the grantor, given of date the 23d of April, A. D. 1652, and he acknowledges also that he has received of the grantee satisfaction, and therefore promises the same to free from all actions, demands and pretensions, which may hereafter arise, on pledge of his person and estate, real and personal

present and future, putting the same in subjection to all laws and judges.

Done in Fort Orange, the 17th of April, A. D 1662.

SANDER LENRSEN GLEN.

Philip Pieterse.
Adriaen Gerretsen.

Acknowledged before me,

LA MONTAGNE, Clerk at Fort Orange.

Appeared before me Johannes La Montagne, in the service of, etc., in the presence of the honorable Philip Pieterse Schuyler and Adriaen Gerretsen [Papendorp], commissaries, etc., Cornelis Vosch, who declares that he has granted and conveyed as by these presents he does grant and convey in real and actual possession, to and for the behoof Capt. Abraham Staets, his heirs or assigns, a lot for a garden, lying in the Village of Beverwyck, adjoining to the north Van Slichtenhorst's gate, on the west side Dirk Janssen [Croon?], length seven rods and breadth five rods, according to patent to the grantor, given by the Heer director general and council of New Netherland, of date the 23d of April, A. D. 1652; for which garden the grantor acknowledges that he has had satisfaction, and promises to free the same from all actions, claims or pretensions, which may hereafter arise, on pledge of his person and estate, real and personal, present and future, putting the same in subjection to all laws and judges.

Done in Fort Orange, the 5th of May, A. D. 1662.

CORNELIS VOS.

Philip Pieterse.
Adriaen Gerretsen.

Acknowledged before me,

LA MONTAGNE Clerk at Fort Orange.

Appeared before me Johannes La Montagne, in the service of, etc., in the presence of the honorable Francoys Boon and Jan Tomassen, commissaries, etc., Philip Hendrickse [Brouwer], who declares by these presents, that for the payment of the sum of three thousand one hundred and forty-four guilders in beavers, growing out of the purchase of a brewery (on which aforesaid sum in the year 1661 was paid in diverse assignments the sum of six hundred and seventy-two guilders in beavers), said brewery on the 27th of September, A. D. 1660, stood pledged to the behoof of Henderick Anderiesse [Van Doesburgh], for the aforesaid sum, by virtue of a mortgage; so is it that he, the subscriber, for the further payment of said sum, to the behoof of the aforesaid Hendrick Anderiesse, hypothecates all his estate, real and personal, present and future, nothing excepted, specially his bouwery on the Great Flat (*Groote Vlachte*),[1] which he proposes to take possession of this summer,[2] with horses and

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[1] De *Groote Vlachte*, more commonly called the *Bouwland*, extends from the city of Schenectady westerly along the Mohawk river, nearly three miles. It has been cultivated more than 200 years, and is noted for its fertility. It was originally divided into thirteen allotments.

[2] Schenectady was first settled by the proprietors of whom Philip Hendr. Brouwer was one, in the spring of the year 1662.

cattle, to secure the payment if necessary of the aforesaid sum, without cost and loss.

Done in Fort Orange, the 10th of May, A. D. 1662.

FLIP HENRIKSEN.

Francoys Boon.
Jan Tomase.

Acknowledged before me,

LA MONTAGNE, Clerk in Fort Orange.

Appeared before me Johannes Provoost, clerk, etc., two Indians, one named Pamitepiet, or in Dutch Kesjen Wey, and the other Hans Vos, or in Indian Tatankenat, both owners, and commissioned by the other owners, of the land, lying in the Klaverrack, on the east bank [of the river], who declare, in the presence of the afternamed witnesses, that they have sold, granted and conveyed as by these presents they do, to and for the behoof of Jan Franse Van Hoesem, a parcel of land, lying in the aforesaid Klaverrack, extending from the little kil (*killetie*) of Jan Henderickse, *alias root-haer*, to the land of Slichtenhorst; in which parcel of land are comprehended three of the *klavers*, on the south side of said *root-haer*, and extending towards the wood about an *uyrgaens*,[1] until beyond the great kil, and further, of such magnitude as the grantors have bounded it by the woods and kils; for a certain sum in goods to these grantees paid, amounting to about five hundred guilders in beavers, for which they promise the aforesaid land to free from further actions or pretensions of the other Indians, who may sinisterly lay claim thereto.

Thus done in the presence of Gerrit Fisbeek and Carsten Claessen [Timmerman], as witnesses hereto invited, on this 5th of June, A. D. 1662, in Fort Orange.

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This is the mark _____ of TATANKENAT, with his own hand set.

Gerret Visbeeck.

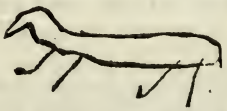
This is the mark ▷-|——— *of Carsten Claessen, with his own hand set.*

Acknowledged before me,

LA MONTAGNE, Clerk at Fort Orange.

On this 11th day of June, A. D. 1664, appeared before me as above an Indian, named Sickaneeck, or by the Dutch named Teunis, one of the proprietors of the above written land, who acknowledges and declares that, on the 5th of June, 1662, with Pamitepiet and Keesie Wey, he sold the above mentioned land to Jan Franeen Van Hoesen, and was fully paid and satisfied therefor, and frees him from all claims of the other Indians.

Done *ut supra*.

This is the mark  of SICKANEECK, *alias* TEUNIS, with his own had set.

[1] As far as one can go in an hours time.

Appeared before me Johannes La Montagne, in the service of, etc., in the presence of the honorable Philip Pieterse [Schuyler] and Adriaen Gerritsen [Papendorp], commissaries, etc., Wynant Gerritse Van der Poel, who acknowledges and declares by these presents that he is well, truly and honestly indebted to Doctor (*Meester*) Jacob Hendrickse Vervanger,[1] chirurgeon, in the number of sixteen hundred good merchantable boards, growing out of an agreement for twelve hundred and sixty-one guilders nineteen stuivers and four pennies, Holland money, which he promises to deliver here in the space of the six following years, every year a just sixth part of the whole number, of which one installment for this current year has already been furnished; for the delivery of the aforesaid boards, the subscriber offers as a fast mortgage and special pledge his house and lot, lying in the Village of Beverwyck, and by him at present occupied, to secure if necessary the delivery of the aforesaid number of sixteen hundred good merchantable boards, without cost and loss.

Thus done in Fort Orange, the 22d of June, 1662.

WYNANDT GERREYDTS VAN DER POELL.

Philip Pieterse Schuyler.
Adriaen Gerritsen.

Acknowledged before me,

LA MONTAGNE, Clerk at Fort Orange.

Appeared before me Johannes La Montagne, in the service of, etc., in the presence of the honorable Abraham Staets and Philip Pieterse Schuller, commissaries, etc., Theunis Slingerlandt,[2] inhabitant of the Village of Beverwyck, who acknowledges and declares that he is honestly indebted to the honorable Ariaen Gerritse [Papendorp], commissary of said jurisdiction, in the number of twenty-seven pieces of merchantable beavers, at eight florins [guilders] a piece, which he promises to pay within a year from date, with interest on the same at ten per cent, on pledge of his person and estate, real and personal, present and future, and especially mortgaging and pledging for the full payment of said beavers and interest on the same, his house and the lot, which lies behind it, lying in the Village of Beverwyck, and which he at present occupies, renouncing all exceptions which might militate against the same.

Done in Fort Orange, in New Netherland, the 25th of July, A. D. 1662.

TUENYES CORNELISE SLYENGHERLANDT.

Abram Staes.
Philip Pieterse.

Acknowledged before me,

LA MONTAGNE, Clerk at Fort Orange.

Conditions on which Gisbert Janse proposes to sell at public sale to the highest bidder his house and lot, with all that is fast by earth and nailed, lying in the Village of Beverwyck, where he at present dwells;

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[1] He was a surgeon in the West India Company's service, at New Amsterdam.

[2] Teunis Cornelise Slingerland, the first settler, married Engeltie Albertse Bratt, and left three sons: Arent, Albert, and Cornelis, who arrived to maturity. Many of his descendants settled in Onisquatha.

length thirty feet, Rynland measure, and breadth twenty-two feet fourteen inches. * * * * * *

[This paper is incomplete and unexecuted].

Conditions on which Jan Barentse Kunst proposes to sell at public sale to the highest bidder the house and lot of Jan Barentse Kunst, with all that is fast by earth and nailed, standing and lying in the Village of Beverwyck, adjoining to the south the house of Mr. Abraham Staats, to the north the house of Claas Van Rotterdam, as it stands in fence. * * * * * * *

[This paper is incomplete and unexecuted].

Conditions on which Teunis Cornelise Slingerlant proposes to sell at public sale to the highest bidder his two houses, with the lot attached to each, and all that is fast by earth and nailed. The largest house is thirty wood feet long and twenty-two wood feet broad; the small house is fifteen feet square; the lot as it stands in fence. * * * * *

[This paper is incomplete and unexecuted].

Conditions on which Pieter Bronck proposes to sell at public sale to the highest bidder his brewery, millhouse, stable and hayhouse, *so als reet ende seelt*, with all that is fast by earth and nailed, lying in the Village of Beverwyck, as it stands in fence, which the friends [*lieff hebbers*] can see, and the buyer shall receive the half barrels, *neest*-cloth, kettle, and other tools which are there. * * * * *

[This paper is incomplete and unexecuted].

Conditions on which Pieter Bronck proposes to sell at public sale to the highest bidder his blockhouse, with the lot and a rick (*schuurbergh*), with all that is fast by earth and nailed, lying in the Village of Beverwyck, as it stands fenced, which the friends (*lieff hebbers*) can see. * * * * * *

[This paper is incomplete and unexecuted].

Conditions on which Pieter Bronck proposes to sell at public sale to the highest bidder his little house, by the side of the blockhouse, with the lot as it stands fenced, lying in the Village of Beverwyck, which the friends can see. * * * *

[This paper is incomplete and unexecuted].

Conditions on which Pieter Bronck proposes to sell at public sale to the highest bidder his house and lot, lying on the hill in the Village of Beverwyck; the lot is twenty rods long and five broad, according to the patent thereof. * * *

[This paper is incomplete and unexecuted].

Appeared before me Johannes La Montagne, in the service of, etc., in the presence of the honorable Francoys Boon and Jan Tomase, commissaries, etc., Pieter Bronck, inhabitant of said Village of Beverwyck, who declares that he has granted and conveyed as by these presents he does grant and convey in real and actual possession to and for the behoof of

Jacob Gevick [1] and Reyndert Pietersen their heirs or assigns, his brewery, and the dwellinghouse in front, with the millhouse and horsestable, together with the well and the lot attached, lying in the said Village of Beverwyck, in breadth in front on the street three rods one foot six inches, to the south the blockhouse length eleven rods eight feet, to the east in breadth three rods six feet, to the north of Leendert Philipsen [Conyn], length eleven rods eight feet, which is a part of the patent by the Heer director general and council of New Netherland, to him, the grantor, given of date the 25th October, A. D. 1653; likewise the said Bronck has conveyed to the aforesaid Gevick and Reyndert Pietersen,[2] a house and lot, lying in the aforesaid Village of Beverwyck, on the hill, breadth five rods and length twenty rods, lying in a square, according to the patent thereof to him, the grantor, given by the said Heer director general and council of New Netherland, the 25th of October, A. D. 1653; which the grantor promises to free from all actions, claims and pretensions, which may hereafter arise, on pledge of his person and estate, real and personal, present and future, putting the same in subjection to all laws and judges.

Done in Fort Orange, the 5th of August, A. D. 1662.

PIETER BRONCK.

Francoys Boon.
Jan Thomas.

Acknowledged before me,

LA MONTAGNE, Clerk in Fort Orange.

Appeared before me Johannes La Montagne, in the service of, etc., in the presence of the honorable Abraham Staets and Jan Tomassen, commissaries, etc., the honorable Rutger Jacobsen, who declares that he has granted and conveyed as by these presents he does grant and convey in real and actual possession to and for the behoof of Mr. Cornelis Steenwyck,[3] merchant in Amsterdam, in New Netherland, his heirs or assigns, a house and lot, lying in the Village of Beverwyck, on the hill, bounding to the south the street, to the north the kil, to the west Barent Reyndersen and to the east Gysbert Janssen, where a common alley runs between both doors; breadth in front on the road forty-seven wood feet; breadth in the rear on the kil thirty-six feet, length to the east one hundred and thirty-five feet, to the west length as before; which lot is a part of the patent to him, the grantor, given by the Heer director general and council of New Netherland and promises to free the same from all actions, claims or pretensions which may hereafter arise, on pledge of his person and estate, real and personal, present and future, nothing excepted, putting the same in subjection to all laws and judges.

Done in Fort Orange, the 7th of August, A. D. 1662.

Abram Staes. RUTGER JACOBSEN.
Jan Thomas.

Acknowledged before me,

LA MONTAGNE, Clerk at Fort Orange.

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[1] Jacob Gevick, Hevick or Heven, administered on the estate of Reyndert Pieterse, in 1673, (*Deeds*, 1, 221), and was living in Beverwyck, in 1675. His wife was Geertruy Barentse.—*Deeds*, 1, 337.

[2] Reyndert Pieterse died about 1673, when his estate was sold by his administrators.—*Deeds*, 1, 221.

[3] For an account of Cornelis Steenwyck, see Valentine's *History of New York city*, page 121.

Appeared before me Johannes Provoost, clerk, etc., Gysbert Janssen of the one part and Harmen Albertsen Vedder of the second part, who declare in the presence of the afternamed witnesses that in all friendship and amity they have contracted and agreed with each other, namely that the aforesaid Gysbert Janssen to said Harmen Vedder has sold his house and lot, lying in said Village of Beverwyck, adjoining close upon Philip Pieterse Schuyler; the house is thirty feet long and twenty-two feet broad; likewise the lot is eleven rods long and twenty-two feet Rynland measure broad; also the said Harmen Albertse Vedder accepts the aforesaid purchase for the sum of a thousand and six hundred Carolus guilders in good whole merchantable beavers skins at eight guilders a piece, in three installments; the first on the delivery, which shall be within three or four days from date; the second one year after; the third on the first of August, A. D. 1664; it is also by these presents expressly stipulated that, as the buyer has hired the house of Pieter Hartgers for the time of two years, the seller shall remove thither and pay five quarters rent as the buyers lease requires.

Thus done and passed without any craft or guile, they mutually placing themselves in subjection to all laws and judges, in presence of Mr. Antony Van Aelst and Bastiaen De Winter, as witnesses hereto invited on this 10th of August, A. D. 1662, in Beverwyck.

GEYSBERT YANSEN.
HARMEN VEDDER.

Anthony Van Aelst.
Bastiaen De Winter.

Acknowledged before me,

JOHANNES PROVOOST, Clerk.

Appeared before me Johannes La Montagne, in the service of, etc., in the presence of Philip Pieterse Schuyler and Francoys Boon, commissaries, etc., Harmen Bastiaensen [Visscher], inhabitant of the aforesaid village, who declares that he has granted and conveyed as by these presents he does grant and convey in real and actual possession to and for the behoof of Carsten Claessen his heirs or assigns, a house and lot, lying in the Village of Beverwyck, adjoining to the north the grantor, to the south Jan Hendericksc Van Bael, in breadth in front on the street twenty-seven wood feet and nine inches, length on the north side seventy-three wood feet, breadth to the south sixty-two wood feet and two inches, in the rear on the river breadth eight feet eight inches, which lot is a part of the patent to him, the grantor, given by the Heer director general and council of New Netherland, of date the 28th of April, A. D. 1652, and promises the same to free from all actions, claims or pretensions, which may hereafter arise, on pledge of his person and estate, real and personal, present and future, placing himself in subjection to all laws and judges.

Done in Fort Orange, the 12 August, A. D. 1662.

HARMEN BASTIAENS.

Philip Pieterse Schuyler.
Francoys Boon.

Acknowledged before me,

LA MONTAGNE, Clerk at Fort Orange.

Appeared before me Johannes La Montagne, in the service of, etc., in the presence of the honorable Francoys Boon and Jan Tomassen, commissaries, etc., the honorable Jan Verbeeck, who acknowledges and declares that he is well, truly and honestly indebted to Dirk Dirkse Keyser, merchant, in the sum of two hundred and fifty-five guilders, payable in good whole merchantable beaver skins, at eight guilders a piece, which said sum he promises to pay in the current year, failing of which he stands holden from year to year to the end of the payment, to pay interest at ten per cent, and for the payment of the same he, Jan Verbeeck, mortgages and specially pledges his old house and lot, also a little house standing on said lot by the water side, which he at present occupies, for securing if necessary the payment of said sum of two hundred and fifty-five guilders or the quantity of thirty-eight and seven-eighths beavers, without cost and loss.

Done in Fort Orange, the 15th of August, A. D. 1662.

JAN VERBEECK.

Francoys Boon.
Jan Tomasse.

Aknowledged before me,

LA MONTAGNE, Clerk at Fort Orange.

Appeared before me Johannes La Montagne, in the service of, etc., on the date underwritten and in the presence of the afternamed witnesses, Jan Barentse Dulleman, baker in the aforesaid village, who declares that he has appointed and empowered as by these presents he does appoint and empower the honorable Gerrit Janssen Kuyper, in his name and for his sake, to demand, collect and receive of the honorable Lucas Aertsen and Mattys Harmensen, dwelling at Zwoll, uncles and guardians of the subscriber, the five hundred Carolus guilders and other sums coming to him by way of inheritance from his deceased father and mother; for the receipts quittance to pass; and in case of refusal payment to compel by law and rigor of justice, and for that purpose all terms of the laws to observe; further, to do and perform all things which he, the subscriber, being present could or might do, provided that the attorney be holden a proper statement and return of his transactions to make; on pledge of his person and estate, real and personal.

Thus done in Fort Orange, in New Netherland, in presence of Herman Albertse Vedder and David Provoost, as witnesses hereto invited on the 16th of August, A. D. 1662.

JAN BARENTSEN DULLEMEN.

Harmen Veddere.
David Provoost.[1]

Acknowledged before me,

LA MONTAGNE, Clerk at Fort Orange.

Appeared before me Johannes Provoost, clerk, etc., Marcelis Janse, who declares, in the presence of the afternamed witnesses, that he has granted and fully conveyed, as by these presents he does, to and for the behoof of Jan Van Aken, the number of six and sixty and a half good

[1] David Provoost was an inhabitant of New Amsterdam and held various offices of trust.

whole merchantable beavers, to be received for a second payment for his house, through the hands of Asser Levy,[1] who the aforesaid house bought at public sale; and that in real ownership, to be used as his other proper estates, so that no one shall make any pretensions upon the same, or institute any overreaching claims, but the (*acceptant*) grantee, shall dispose of, use, or alienate, the aforesaid number of sixty-six and a half beavers as his other estate, on pledge according to law.

Thus done in Fort Orange, the 18th of August, 1662, in presence of Arent Van den Bergh and Harmen Vedder, as witnesses hereto called.

MAERCELYS JANSEN.

Harmen Veddere.
This is the mark of **AVB** *Arent Van den Bergh.*

Acknowledged before me,

JOHANNES PROVOOST, Clerk.

Appeared before me Johannes La Montagne, in the service of, etc., in the presence of the honorable Philip Pieterse Schuyler and Francoys Boon, commissaries, etc., the honorable Johan Labate, who declares that he has granted and conveyed, as by these presents he does grant and convey in real and actual possession to and for the behoof of Jacob De Hinse, chirurgeon, a house and lot, lying in the Village of Beverwyck, adjoining to the north the first kil and Jochem Wesselse, baker, west on the street, to the south the grantor, and to the east the river bank; breadth in front on the road nine rods, length on the south side thirteen rods, in the rear on the east side breadth four rods and nine feet, length on the north side seventeen rods; from which lot is to be deducted fourteen feet of the breadth in front on the street and twenty feet of the breadth in the rear; together with a garden in the rear of Fort Orange, which the grantor reserves to himself, also the patent hereof shall be delivered into the hands of the grantee, which patent was given the grantor by the heer director general and council of New Netherland, of date the 25th of October, 1653, and promises the same to free from all actions, claims or pretensions, which may arise, on pledge of his person and estate, real and personal, present and future, nothing excepted, putting himself in subjection to all laws and judges.

Done in Fort Orange, the 20th of August, A. D. 1662.

JAN LABATIE.

Philip Pieterse Schuyler.
Francoys Boon.

Acknowledged before me,

LA MONTAGNE, Clerk at Fort Orange.

On this the 7th day of September, A. D. 1662, appeared before me Johannes Provoost, clerk, etc., Mr. Asser Levy, merchant at Amsterdam, in New Netherland, of the first part, and Robert Sanders, of the second part, who declare, in the presence of the afternamed witnesses,

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[1] Asser Levy was a Jewish trader, residing chiefly in New Amsterdam. He was in the colony as late as 1684.

that they, in all friendship and amity, have contracted and agreed with each other in regard to the following purchase, namely, that the aforesaid Asser Levy to said Robert Sandersen has sold a house and lot, lying in the Village of Beverwyck on the hill, the same that he, the seller, bought of Marcelys Janse at public sale, as it stands and lies in fence, with all that is fast by earth and nailed, together with a little house also on the side of the great house, which the seller has built since his purchase; in magnitude according to the patent thereof; so likewise the said Robert Sandersen acknowledges that he has bought the same, and promises to pay therefor the sum of one thousand nine hundred and twenty guilders, payable in good whole merchantable beaver skins at eight guilders a piece, besides three beavers also for a hat for the seller; it was also stipulated that as the aforesaid house is leased for the term of two years, so the buyer is holden to buy out and pay the lessee according to contract; delivery shall be made on the 1st of May, A. D. 1663; the payment shall be made in five installments: the first on the first of July, 1663, which shall be the number of fifty beavers, and the following payments from year to year, every time a just fifth part; further the aforesaid house and lot is to remain as a special pledge for the purpose of a complete payment, the buyer also pledging his person and estate, real and personal, present and future, nothing excepted, and putting himself in subjection to all laws and judges.

Thus done in the village of Beverwyck, in the presence of the honorable Frans Barentse Pastoor and Jacob Tyssen Van der Heyden, as witnesses hereto invited on the date above.

Actum ut supra.

Asser Leevi.
Robbert Sanderse.

Frans Barentse Pastoor.
Jacob Teyssen.

Acknowledged before me,

Johannes Provoost, Clerk.

Appeared before me Johannes Provoost, clerk, etc., Reyndert Pieterse and Jacob Hevick of the one side, and Henderick Roosenboom of the other side, who declare in the presence of the afternamed witnesses, that in friendship and amity they have agreed and contracted with each other, namely, the aforesaid Reyndert Pieterse and Jacob Hevick declare that they have sold to said Henderick Roosenboom their house and lot, lying in the village of Beverwyck on the hill, which they bought of Pieter Bronck, as it stands with all that is fast by earth and nailed and as great as the patent thereof mentions; so also the said Henderick Roosenboom accepts and acknowledges that he has bought the aforesaid house for the sum of five hundred and fifty guilders, payable in good whole merchantable beavers, at eight guilders a piece, in two installments: the first on the first July, A. D. 1663, the just half, and the second on the first of July, A. D. 1664; the delivery of the house, which stands at the buyer's risk, shall be made of this date; for which the respective parties pledge their persons and estates.

Thus done in Beverwyck, in the presence of Frans Barentse Pastoor

and Marcelys Janssen as witnesses hereto called, on this 13th of September, A. D. 1662.

This is the mark RP of Reyndert Pieterse,
with his own hand set.

This is the mark of χ Jacob Hevick,
with his own hand set.

Henderyck Yansen Rooseboom.

Frans Barentsen Pastoor.
Maercelys Jansen.

Acknowledged before me,

Johannes Provoost, Clerk.

On the date underwritten, appeared before me Johannes Provoost, clerk, etc., Wouter Albertse [Van den Uythoff], who declares that he is surety and principal for the person of Henderick Rosenboom for the payment of the sum of five hundred and fifty guilders in beavers, growing out of the purchase of a house and lot, which the said Roseboom has purchased of Reyndert Pieterse and Jacob Gevick, and for the same pledges himself to the aforesaid sellers for the payment of the said sum in case of need, under a pledge of his person and estate, real and personal, present and future, putting himself in subjection to all laws and judges.

Done in Beverwyck, the 13th of September, A. D. 1662, in presence of Frans Barentse Pastoor and Marcelus Janssen, as witnesses hereto invited.

Wouter Albers.

Frans Barentsen Pastoor.
Maercelys Jansen.

Acknowledged before me,

J. Provoost, Clerk.

On this the 13th day of September, A. D. 1662, appeared before me Johannes Provoost, clerk, etc., Reyndert Pieterse and Jacob Gevick, who declare, in presence of the afternamed witnesses, that they have settled with each other for all that they have owned in company, as house, brewhouse, etc., and that Reyndert Pieterse owns in the aforesaid brewery and house on the hill, bought by them from Pieter Bronck, the sum of fourteen hundred and fifty-six guilders, and to Jacob Gevick is coming two thousand five hundred and fifty-six guilders, the portions of each as they have settled at this date.

Thus done in presence of Frans Barentse Pastoor and Adriaen Janse Van Leyden, as witnesses hereto called on the above date.

Actum ut supra.

This is the mark of RP Reyndert Pieterse,
with his own hand set.

This is the mark of χ Jacob Gevick,
with his own hand set.

Frans Barentse Pastoor.
Aran Janse Van Leyden.

Acknowledged before me,

J. Provoost, Clerk.

In the name of the Lord Amen, be it known by the contents of this present instrument, that in the year of our Lord Jesus Christ, sixteen hundred and sixty-two, on the 23d day of September, appeared before me Johannes La Montagne in the service of, etc., Jacob Gevick, born at Mecklenburgh, of the one part, and Geertruy Barents Van Dwingelo, widow of the late Henderick Henderickse Van Harstenhorst, of the other part, who declare in the presence of the afternamed witnesses, that for God's honor they have contracted a future marriage; and before the same is consummated, have consented to the following conditions:—*First.* The aforesaid betrothed persons [*echteluyden*] for the maintenance of this marriage shall bring together all their present estates and effects of whatever nature, in whatever places and with whatever persons the same may be, nothing excepted of what they each at present possess and are entitled to, to be possessed jointly according to the law of our Fatherland; except that out of the bride's estate, to wit, of that left [by her late husband], the half shall be reserved for the remaining children of the late Henderick Henderickse Van Harstenhorst, the one named Lysbet Henderickse, aged about six years, and the other Judick Henderickse, aged three years, which by the consent of the bride is charged by the orphan masters and the said witnesses, with a hundred good whole merchantable beaver skins, at eight guilders a piece; further in case the bridegroom comes to die before the bride without children by them, the bride shall remain in full possession of all the estate, as the sole heir of the same, and on the other hand should the bride decease before the bridegroom also without children by them, the bridegroom shall be bound to reserve for her children the half of the estate remaining to be paid to the same over and above the hundred beavers before mentioned, on which account he shall remain in possession of the whole estate; provided also that after the decease of the above mentioned bride, there shall come to the aforesaid children as their inheritance all their mother's clothing, also gold rings and silver ware, which belong to her; *item* that the aforesaid betrothed persons shall bring up in the fear of the Lord and maintain in food and clothes the aforesaid children to their majority and married state, without diminishing their patrimonial and assigned estate; which marriage contract said bridegroom and bride promise to maintain without craft or guile, on pledge of their persons and estates, real and personal, present and future, nothing excepted, putting themselves in subjection to all laws and judges.

Thus done in the presence of the honorable Frans Barentse Pastoor and Anderies De Vos, as witnesses hereto called, on the date as above, in Beverwyck.

This is the mark of χ JACOB GEVICK, with his own hand set.

This is the mark of △ GEERTRUY BARENTS VAN DWINGELOO, with her own hand set.

Frans Barentse Pastoor.
By me Andrys De Vos.
Evert Janse Wendel, as orphan master.

Acknowledged before me,

LA MONTAGNE, Clerk at Fort Orange.

Conditions on which the clerk and commissaries of Fort Orange and Village of Beverwyck propose to farm out to the highest bidder, at public sale, the slaughter excise for the time of one year. The farming of the aforesaid slaughter excise shall begin on the first of October of this year, and end on the last of September, A. D. 1663. The farmer shall receive for the slaughtered beasts whether ox, cow, calf, bull, hog, goat or sheep, for every guilder of the worth of the same one stuiver, to wit: for what is bought in beavers he shall give twenty stuivers in seewant per beaver, and in case of dispute an impartial apprisal is to be made. The farmer is to be holden to furnish two sufficient sureties for the excise money, to the content of those who farm out the excise. Every quarter year a just fourth part of the excise is to be paid in good current seewant, and if the farmer cannot furnish sufficient sureties, it shall be offered for sale again at his cost and charge, and whatever less it happens to be worth, he shall be holden to make good, and whatever more it becomes worth shall afford him no profit. After offering for sale the above excise, the Messieurs contractors stopped at seven hundred and fifty guilders; then appeared before them Jan Gerritsen Van Marcken, who accepted the aforesaid farming [*pacht*], and offered himself as farmer, for the sum of seven hundred and eighty guilders, according to the aforesaid conditions, and promises, because of his being released from furnishing sureties, to pay the half of the promise money within fourteen days or three weeks, for which he pledges his person and estates, real and personal, present and future, nothing excepted, putting himself in subjection to all laws and judges.

Done in Beverwyck, the 30th of September, A. D. 1662.

J. G. V. Marcken.

Appeared before me Johannes Provoost, in the service of, etc., in the presence of the honorable Adriaen Gerritse [Papendorp] and Goosen Gerritse [Van Schaick], commissaries, etc., Jan Gerritse Van Marcken on the one part, who declared that he had granted and conveyed as by these presents he does, to Henderick Janssen Rosenboom of the other part, the farming (*pacht*) of the slaughter excise, consumable in Fort Orange and Village of Beverwyck, according to the above conditions, just as the grantor has contracted for the same; so likewise the said Henderick Janssen Rosenboom declares himself the farmer of the aforesaid slaughter excise, for the payment of which Wouter Albertse [Van den Uythoff] and Gerrit Slichtenhorst offer themselves as sureties and principals, to the end that the sum of seven hundred and eighty guilders may be paid; on pledge of their persons and estates, real and personal, present and future, nothing excepted, placing themselves in subjection to all laws and judges

Done in Beverwyck, the 5th of October, A. D. 1662.

J. G. V. Marcken.
Henderyck Yanssen Rooseboom.
Wouter Albertse.
Gerrit Van Slichtenhorst.

Adriaen Gerretsen.
Goosen Gerretsen.

Appeared before me Johannes La Montagne, in the service of, etc., in the presence of the honorable Philip Pieterse Schuyler and Adriaen Gerretsen [Papendorp], commissaries, etc., Paulus Martensen [Van Benthuysen], who declares that he has granted and conveyed, as by these presents he does grant and convey, in real and actual possession, to and for the behoof of Claes Cornelise Van den Bergh, his heirs or assigns, a house and lot, lying in the Village of Beverwyck, near Fort Orange, bounded on the north by Capt. Abraham Staets, to the south by the aforesaid Fort, as large as it now lies in fence, according to the patent thereof granted by the Heer director general and council of New Netherland, to Jacob Luyersen, deceased, of date the 25th of October, A. D. 1653, and the grantor acknowledges that he is paid and satisfied therefor, and promises the same to free from all actions, claims or pretensions, which may hereafter arise; on pledge of his person and estate, real and personal, present and future, placing himself in subjection to all laws and judges.

Done in Fort Orange, the 12th of October, A. D. 1662.

PAULUS MARTEN.

Philip Pieterse Schuyler.
Adriaen Gerritsen.

Acknowledged before me,

LA MONTAGNE, Clerk at Fort Orange.

Appeared before me Johannes La Montagne, in the service of, etc., in the presence of the honorable Adriaen Gerritsen [Papendorp] and Goosen Gerritse [Van Schaick], commissaries, etc., the honorable Adriaen Janssen Van Leyden, surnamed Appel, who acknowledges and declares by these presents, that he is well, truly and honestly indebted to the Heer Johannes Baptist Van Rensselaer, in the sum of six hundred and forty-three guilders and six stuivers, payable in good whole merchantable beaver skins, at eight guilders a piece, growing out of goods and merchandise, which he has received to his content; which aforesaid sum he, the subscriber, promises to pay to the aforesaid Johannes Baptist Van Rensselaer, or his attorney Jeremias Van Rensselaer, on the 12th of July, A. D. 1663, with proper interest thereon, to begin from the 12th of July, A. D. 1662, for which he pledges and specially mortgages his house and lot, lying in the Village of Beverwyck, to secure if needfull the payment of the aforesaid sum of six hundred and forty-three guilders and six stuivers, with the interest on the same, without cost and loss.

Done in Fort Orange, the 15th of October, A. D. 1662.

ADRIAEN JANSE VAN LEYDEN.

Adriaen Gerretsen.
Goosen Gerretsen.

Acknowledged before me,

LA MONTAGNE, Clerk at Fort Orange.

Appeared before me Johannes La Montagne, in the service of, etc., in the presence of the honorable Philip Pieterse Schuyler and Adriaen Gerritse [Papendorp], commissaries, etc., the honorable Sander Leendersen Glen, who declares that he has sold, granted and conveyed, as by these presents he does sell, grant and convey. in real and actual possession to and for the behoof of Jan Bastiaensen Van Gudsenhoven, his heirs or

assigns, his house with the stone front [*gevel*], where he at present dwells, with the lot and garden; also a little house, standing behind the great house, all as large as it at present lies in fence, with a barn also and lot and garden behind said barn, lying on the west side of the street, over against the aforesaid great house, all as it stands in fence, with all that is fast by earth and nailed, together with two gardens also behind Fort Orange, according to the patent thereof; for the sum of three thousand two hundred guilders, payable in beavers, by a deduction from an obligation by the said Sander Leendersen, passed on the 7th of May, A. D. 1661; also the seller of the aforesaid sold estate, acknowledges that he is paid and perfectly satisfied; further the seller delivers to him the little house, standing over against the great house, as it has before this lain in fence, also the said seller promises that the little house, which stands to the north of the great house, and is leased to him, shall be removed within the space of one year and not set up nearer to the great house than the space of nine feet, which shall be used as an alley for the accommodation of the seller; further the grantor promises to free all from any action, claim or pretension, which may arise hereafter, under a pledge of his person and estate, real and personal, present and future, nothing excepted, putting the same in subjection to all laws and judges.

Done in Fort Orange the 25th of October, A. D., 1662.

SANDER LENRSEN GLEN.

Philip Pieterse Schuyler.
Adriaen Gerretsen.

Acknowledged before me,

LA MONTAGNE, Clerk at Fort Orange.

Appeared before me Johannes La Montagne, in the service of, etc., in the presence of the honorable Goosen Gerritse [Van Schaick] and Jan Tomassen, commissaries, etc., the honorable Sander Leendersen Glen, who declares that he has granted and conveyed, as by these presents he does grant and convey, in real and actual possession to and for the behoof of Tomas Poulussen his heirs or assigns, a house and lot, lying in the village aforesaid, next to Dominie Schaets, bounded to the south and west by the street, to the north Jan Bastiaense [Van Gudsenhoven], length to the north ten rods, breadth in front on the street two rods and ten feet, length to the south ten rods eight and a half feet, to the west along the fence of Jan Bastiaensen breadth five rods and three feet, which lot is a part of the patent to the grantor given, by the Heer director general and council of New Netherland, of date the 23d of April, A. D. 1652, and acknowledges that he is paid and satisfied for the aforesaid house and lot, and therefore the grantor promises to free the same from all actions, claims or pretensions, which may hereafter arise, on pledge of his person and estate, present and future, nothing excepted, putting the same in subjection to all laws and judges.

Done in Fort Orange, the 26th of October, A. D. 1662.

SANDER LENRSEN GLEN.

Goosen Gerretsen.
Jan Tomase.

Acknowledged before me,

LA MONTAGNE, Clerk at Fort Orange.

Conditions on which the Messieurs clerk and commissaries propose, in the name and for the sake of the Heer director general and council of New Netherland, to farm out to the highest bidder, the excise of all wines, beers and spirits (*gebrande wateren*), to be drawn and consumed by the innkeepers, tapsters and retailers (*uytventers*), in and about Fort Orange, village of Beverwyck and colony of Rensselaerswyck. The farming out as well as the collecting of the excise shall be done according to the laudable customs of our Fatherland, and the published ordinances and placards of their High Mightinesses the States General promulgated with regard to the finances. The farming shall begin on the first of November [1662], and end on the last of October, 1663, being the time of twelve months, during which time the farmer may collect and receive for all wines, beers and spirits to be drawn or consumed by the tapsters and innkeepers, in or about Fort Orange and village of Beverwyck, as follows:

for a ton of domestic brewed beer,.....	*f*	4.00
for a ton of foreign beer,.....	*f*	6.00
for a hogshead of French wine,.....	*f*	20.00
for an anker of ditto,.....	*f*	4.00
for an anker of Spanish wine, brandy or spirits,.....	*f*	7.00
for an anker of cider,.....	*f*	2.00

greater or less casks after the same rate, and that in beavers or else in seewant at twelve white or six black ones to the stuiver at the choice of the payer. The farmer is holden to furnish sufficient sureties to the content of the Messieurs contractors for the excise money, to be paid every three months in beavers or in seewant at twelve white or six black to the stuiver, a just fourth part of the promised excise money. To provide against cavils, misunderstandings and frauds, it is stipulated that after the expiration of the farming, and when the new farming is again made, the new farmer shall be free on the day of the new farming, or on the following day, at least within the time of three days after the farming, in the presence of the late farmer, if he wishes to be present, to make a guaging of the remaining wines, beers and spirits, held by the tapsters and innkeepers, and return two-thirds of the receipts, or excise due the old or preceeding farmer to his successor or the old [new?] farmer. The Messieurs contractors (*verpachters*) reserve to themselves the interpretation and enlargement of this paper, and promise the farmer all proper aid and assistance. For the above farming, Jan Gerritse Van Marcken remained the last bidder for the sum of four thousand guilders, according to the above conditions, for the payment of which Jurriaen Teunissen [Glasemaker] and Jochem Wesselse [Backer] stood as sureties and principals, and as such, they bind their respective persons and estates, real and personal, present and future, nothing excepted, subjecting themselves to the authority of all laws and judges.

Done in the village of Beverwyck, the last of October, A. D. 1662.

J. G. V. Marcken.
Jurejan Tunsen.
Jochem Backer.

On this, the last day of October, the above farming was made in our presence, according to the foregoing conditions, which we affirm.

La Montagne, Clerk (*commis.*).
Philip Pieterse Schuyler.
Adriaen Gerretsen [Papendorp].
Goosen Gerretsen [Van Schaick].

Acknowledged before me,

Johannes Provoost, Clerk.

Conditions on which the Messieurs clerk and commissaries of Fort Orange and village of Beverwyck propose to farm out to the highest bidder the burgher excise of wine and beer for the time of one year. The farming and excise shall begin on the first of November, 1662, and end on the last of October, 1663, according to the ordinances of our Fatherland. The farmer shall receive for a tun of strong (*goede*) beer one dollar, for a tun of small beer ten stuivers, for a hogshead of French wine six guilders, for an anker of brandy, Spanish wine or spirits two guilders, at twelve white and six black seewants (*sewantiens*) a stuiver; and the farmer aforesaid shall not refuse any burghers, permits (*celen*), which have been entered in the burgher excise. The farmer shall be holden to furnish two sufficient sureties, one for all and each, as principals to the content of the Messieurs contractors, to pay said burgher excise, every quarter year, a just fourth part of the whole sum, in good strung seewant, at twelve white and six black seewants a stuiver, and in case the aforesaid farmer fails to furnish the said sureties, then said excise shall be offered for sale again, at his cost and charge, and what ever less it comes to be worth, he shall be holden to make good, and whatever more it becomes worth, he shall receive no profit therefrom. Jan Gerritse Van Marcken remained the last bidder, and farmer for the sum of two thousand two hundred and twenty guilders, according the foregoing conditions, and for the payment of said sum Jurriaen Teunisse [Glazemaker] and Jochim Wessselse [Backer] stood as sureties and principals, for which they pledge their persons and estates, real and personal, present and future, nothing excepted, subjecting themselves to the authority of all laws and judges.

Done in the village of Beverwyck, on the last of October, A. D. 1662.

J. G. V. Marcken.
Jurejan Tunsen.
Jochem Backer.

On this 31st day of October, A. D. 1662, the above farming was made in our presence, according to the aforesaid conditions, which we the undersigned attest.

La Montagne, *Commis.*
Philip Pieterse Schuyler.
Adriaen Gerretse [Papendorp].
Goosen Gerretsen [Van Schaick].

Acknowledged before me,

Johannes Provoost, Clerk.

Conditions on which the administrators of the estate of Andries Herbertsen with said Herbertsen's wife, propose to sell at public sale to the highest bidder, the house and lot of said A. Herbertsen, with a barn on

said lot, lying in the village of Beverwyck, together with all that appertains thereto, as it is occupied by said wife.— *First.* The buyer shall receive said house, lot, barn, and all that appertains to the same, as they lie enclosed in fence, with all that is fast by earth and nailed, on the first of May, A. D 1663. The payment shall be made in two installments, in good whole merchantable beaver skins; the first on the first of July, A. D. 1663, and the second on the first of July, A. D. 1664. The buyer shall be holden to furnish two sufficient sureties, one for all and each, as principals, immediately, to the content of the seller. If the buyer cannot furnish said sureties in said time, then said house and lot, with all that appertains thereto, shall be again offered for sale at his cost and charge, and whatever less they shall become worth, he shall be holden to make good, and whatever more they become worth, he shall receive no profit therefrom. The auction fee becomes a charge to the buyer, payable as before. After offering the property for sale on the aforesaid conditions, Jurriaen Janse [Groenwout] remained the last bidder, for the sum of one thousand three hundred and fifty guilders, for the payment of which Jacob Schermerhooren and Henderick Janssen Rosenboom stood as sureties and principals, according to the said conditions, (provided that the said house, lot and barn remain pledged and mortgaged as security for said sureties); under a pledge of their persons and estates, real and personal, submitting themselves to the authority of all laws and judges.

Done in Beverwyck, the 16th of November, A. D. 1662.

This is the mark of JURRIAEN JANSSEN,
with his own hand set.
JACOB JANSEN SCHERMERHOOREN.
HENDERYCK YANSSEN ROOSEBOOM.

Acknowledged before me,
LA MONTAGNE, *Commis.* at Fort Orange.

Conditions on which the administrators of the estate of Anderies Herbersen, with the wife of the same, propose to sell at public sale to the highest bidder the pantile bakery and lot of Anderies Herbersen, lying in the colony of Rensselaerswyck.— *First.* The buyer shall receive the pantile bakery and lot and all the fixtures, with all that is fast by earth and nailed, according to the conveyance and bill of sale thereof, except a little point (*hoeckjen*), one board broad and in length to the point on the south side of the brick kiln (*steenbackerij*) of Pieter Bont, which is sold to said Pieter Bont; also Kees Pott, tile baker, is to remain in possession one year, to work according to contract made between him and Anderies Herbersen; provided that the buyer be holden to pay the patroon two guilders yearly, as an acknowledgment. Delivery shall be made the current year, 1662, so soon as the goods shall be got off. Payment shall be made in three installments in good whole merchantable beaver skins, or half of each installment in seewant at twenty guilders a beaver, the first of which installments shall be paid on the first of July, A. D. 1663, the second on the first of July, A. D. 1664, and the third on the first of July, A. D. 1665. The buyer shall be holden to furnish two sufficient sureties, one for all and each, as principals, immediately, to the content of the purchaser. If the buyer cannot furnish said sureties in said time, then the aforementioned pantile bakery shall be exposed for sale again

at his cost and charge, and whatever less it comes to be worth, he shall be holden to make good, and whatever more it comes to be worth, he shall receive no profit therefrom. The auction fees become a charge to the buyer. Gerrit Slichtenhorst remained the last bidder, according to the above conditions, for the sum of one thousand nine hundred guilders, for the payment of which Wouter Albertse [Van den Uythoff] and David Schuyler stood as sureties and principals, according to the aforesaid conditions, provided the pantile bakery remain as a pledge and special mortgage, as a security for said sureties, under a pledge of their persons and estates, real and personal, subjecting themselves to the authority of all laws and judges.

Done in Beverwyck, the 16th of November, A. D. 1662.

GERRIT VAN SLICHTENHORST.
WOUTER ALBERS.
DAVYDT SCHUYLER.

Acknowledged before me,

LA MONTAGNE, *Commis.* at Fort Orange.

Conditions on which the administrators of the estate of Anderies Herbertsen, with the wife of the same, propose to sell at public sale, to the highest bidder, the half island, which belongs to him and Rut Jacobsen, lying obliquely opposite Betlehem. The buyer shall receive the half island, according to patent, with half of the house, barn and two ricks (*bergen*); the island is sown with fifty-three schepels of winter grain (*kooren*), of which the buyer's portion is the half. Delivery shall be made at once, but the seller shall have permission to thresh out the grain that is now in straw there. The payment shall be made in two installments in grain at beaver price, the first on the last of November, 1663, and the second on the last of November, 1664. The buyer shall be holden to furnish two sufficient sureties, one for all and each, as principals, immediately, to the content of the seller. If the buyer cannot furnish said sureties, then shall said half island be offered for sale again at his cost and charge, and whatever less it comes to be worth, he shall be holden to make good, and whatever more it comes to be worth, he shall derive no profit therefrom. The auction fee is a charge to the buyer. Jeremias Van Rensselaer remained the last bidder, on the foregoing conditions, for the sum of a thousand three hundred and eighty-five guilders, for the payment of which Gerrit Swart and Dirrick Van Schelluyne stood as sureties and principals, according to the above conditions, under pledge of their persons and estates, real and personal, submitting themselves to the force of all laws and judges.

Done in Beverwyck, the 16th of November, 1662.

JEREMIAS VAN RENSSELAER.
G. SWART.
D. V. SCHELLUYNE. 1662.

Acknowledged before me,

LA MONTAGNE, *Commis.* at Fort Orange.

Conditions on which Jochem Wessels [Backer] proposes to sell at public sale, to the highest bidder, his house and lot, lying in the village of Beverwyck, formerly belonging to Mons. Boon — *First.* The buyer shall receive said house and lot, immediately, with all that is fast by earth and nailed. The payment shall be made in three installments, half in seewant and half beavers, the seewant reckoned at twenty guilders the beaver, the first installment on the first of June, A. D. 1663, the second a year after, and the third in like manner. With the payment of the last installment, a proper conveyance and the patent shall be delivered to the buyer. The buyer is holden to furnish two sufficient sureties, one for all and each, as principals, immediately, to the content of the seller. If the buyer cannot furnish sufficient sureties, then shall the aforesaid house and lot be offered for sale again, and whatever less it comes to be worth, he shall be holden to make good, and whatever more it becomes worth, he shall derive no profit therefrom. The auction fees become a charge to the buyer, payable as before. On these conditions David Schuyler became the last bidder, for the sum of one thousand and seven guilders, for the payment of which Philip Pieterse Schuyler and Gerrit Slichtenhorst stood as sureties and principals, according to the aforesaid conditions, under pledge of their persons and estates, real and personal, submitting themselves to the authority of all laws and judges.

Done in Beverwyck, the 15th of November, A. D. 1662.

DAVYDT SCHUYLER.
GERRIT SLICHTENHORST.

Acknowledged before me,

LA MONTAGNE, *Commis.* at Fort Orange.

Conditions on which Jan Bastiaensen [Van Gutsenhoven], commissioned of the *meesters* of Johannes Van Twillert, in the presence of Jeremyas Van Rensselaer, proposes to sell at public sale, to the highest bidder, a house lying in Fort Orange named the house of Johannes Van Twillert, according to the patent thereof, with a garden behind said Fort. * *

[This paper is incomplete and unsigned].

Conditions on which David Pieterse Schuyler proposes to sell, at public sale, to the highest bidder, his house and lot lying in the village of Beverwyck on the hill to the west of Annetien Bogardus. The buyer shall receive said house and lot, immediately, with all that is earth and nail fast; length six rods and three feet; breadth in front on the street, one rod six feet and eight inches; to the east Sander Leendertsen [Glen] length six rods three feet; to the north breadth one rod seven feet and eight inches, according to conveyance, with a *hansioos* little house in the rear where in are a chimney and bake oven. * * * *

[This paper is incomplete and unsigned]

Conditions on which Hans Carelsen [Noorman] proposes to sell, at public sale to the highest bidder, his house and lot lying in the village of Beverwyck, by the side of the hill on the plain where he at present dwells. * * * * * * * *

[This paper is imperfect and unsigned].

Appeared before me Johannes La Montagne in the service of, etc., Jan Martense [De Wever], inhabitant of said village, who declares that he has sold to the Honorable Goosen Gerritse [Van Schaick], commissary of said place, seven head of cattle great and little, for the sum of five hundred and eighty guilders payable in beavers, for which sum said Jan Martensen acknowledges that he is fully satisfied and paid; in witness of which he has subscribed this with his own hand.

Done in Fort Orange the 15th of March, A.D. 1663, in presence of J. Provoost and David Provoost.

This is the mark of + JAN MARTENSEN
with his own hand set.

Johannes Provoost wit:
David Provoost.

Acknowledged before me,

LA MONTAGNE, *Commis.* at Fort Orange.

Appeared before me Johannes La Montagne in the service of, etc., in the presence of the Honorable Goosen Gerritse [Van Schaick] and Jan Tomassen commissaries etc., the honorable Jan Costersen Van Aecken, who declares that he has granted and conveyed, as by these presents, he does grant and convey, in real and actual possession to and for the behoof Arnout Cornelissen [Viele], his heirs or assigns, a house and lot lying in the village of Beverwyck; to the south Jochem Kettelheym, length eight rods six feet three inches, on the road, breath two rods and ten feet; to the north Wynandt Gerritsen [Van Der Poel] length six rods eleven feet; breadth in the rear three rods and ten feet, according to patent to the grantor given by the Heer director general and council of New Netherland, of date the 7th of March, 1661, for which aforesaid house and lot, the grantor acknowledges that he is paid and satisfied and therefore promises the same to free from all actions, demands or pretensions, which may hereafter arise, under pledge of his person and estate, movable and immovable, present and future, nothing excepted, submitting himself to the authority of all laws and judges.

Done in Fort Orange the 17th of March, A.D. 1663.

JAN KOSTER VAN AACKEN.

Goosen Gerretsen,
Jan Tomas.

Appeared before me Johannes Provoost, clerk, etc., Roeloff Willemse [Van Heerden] and Geurt Henderickse [Van Schoonhoven], who declare in presence of the after named witnesses, that, in friendship and amity they have agreed with each other as follows, namely; Roeloff Willemse aforesaid acknowldges, by these presents, that he has sold to said Geurt Henderickse his certain cellar and shed (*afdack*) over it with the lot attached, of magnitude both as to length and breadth, as mentioned in the patent thereof; in like manner also said Geurt Henderickse accepts and acknowledges that he has bought of said Roeloff Willemse, said cellar and lot, for which he promises to pay the sum of two hundred and seventy-five guilders in good strung seewant, the delivery of said cellar to be made of this date at the buyers risk.

Thus done without craft or guile in presence of Jacob Janssen [Flodder] and David Provoost as witnesses hereto invited, on this 23d of March, A.D. 1663, in Fort Orange.

ROELEF WILLEMSEN,
GEURT HENDRYCKSEN.

Jacob Jansen Flodder,
David Provoost.

Acknowledged before me,

J. PROVOOST, Clerk.

In the name of the Lord Amen, be it known by the contents of this present instrument, that in the year sixteen hundred and sixty-three the eighteenth day of May, appeared before me, Johannes La Montagne in the service of, etc., Meyndert Frederickse [Smith], widower of the late Cataryna Burger, who declares in the presence of the afternamed witnesses, that for God's honor he has contracted a future marriage with Pietertien Teunise, spinster (*jonge dochter*), and before the consummation of the same, he, the subscriber, assents to the following conditions, firstly, that the aforesaid betrothed persons, for the maintenance of said marriage, will collect and bring together, all such existing estates and effects of whatever nature; in whatever place, and with whatever persons, the same may be lying or deposited, nothing excepted, which each now has and possesses, to be by them possessed in common, according to the law of our Fatherland, except that out of the bridegroom's estate, to wit, from the estate left by Catarina Burger deceased, be reserved the sum of eight hundred guilders payable in beavers, for the children left by her; to wit Frederick Meyndersen aged six years and Burgert Meyndersen aged three years, being their maternal? (*matrimoniale*) inheritance; moreover said married persons shall be holden to bring up said children in the fear of the Lord, to teach them to read and write in the schools, to maintain them in food and clothing till their majority or married state, without diminishing their maternal estate, which the subscriber promises without craft or guile, and for the same binding his person and estate, real and personal, present and future, nothing excepted, subject to all laws and judges.

Thus done in presence of Heer Arent Curler and Jan Dareth and Pieter Bronck, guardians of the aforesaid children, with Jan Verbeeck and Evert Janse Wendel orphan masters.

Adij ut supra.

This is the mark of MEYNDERT FREDERICKSE,
with his own hand set.

A. Van Curler,
Jan Dareth,
Jan Verbeeck,
Evert Jansen Wendel,
as *Wees Mysters,*
Pyeter Bronck.

Acknowledged before me,

LA MONTAGNE, *Commis* at Fort Orange.

Appeared before me, Johannes La Montagne, in the service of, etc., in the presence of the honorable Goosen Gerritse [Van Schaick] and Jan Tomassen, commissioners, etc., Harmen Tomassen [Hun, or Van Amersfort], husband and guardian of Catarina Berex, widow of Dirk Bensingh deceased, who declares that he has granted and conveyed, as by these presents he does grant and convey to Tjerck Claessen De Wit his heirs or assigns, a lot lying in the village of Beverwyck; bounded to the south by Lambert Van Neck, to the north by Hans Coenraetse [Backer], and to the west by the street; length ten rods and breadth two rods three feet, which lot the grantor's predecessor [Bensingh] received by conveyance from Michiel Ryckertsen, of date the 29 April, Ao. 1656; and the grantor acknowledges that he is fully paid and satisfied for the purchase and transfer of the same, and therefore, promises to free the same from all claims, demands or pretensions, which may hereafter arise, pledging therefor his person and estates, real and personal, present and future, and submitting himself to all laws and judges.

Done in Fort Orange the 28th of May, 1663.

HARMEN TOMASSE.

Goosen Gerretsen,
Jan Tomasse.

Acknowledged before me,

LA MONTAGNE, *Commis* at Fort Orange.

Appeared before me, Johannes La Montagne, in the service of, etc., in the presence of the honorable Goosen Gerritse [Van Schaick] and Jan Tomasse commissaries, etc., Harmen Tomasse [Hun of Amersfort], husband and guardian of Cataryna Berex, widow of the late Dirk Bensingh, who declares that he has granted and conveyed, as by these presents he does grant and convey in real and actual possession to and for the behoof of Lambert Albertse Van Neck his heirs or assigns, a house and lot lying in the village of Beverwyck, adjoining to the north Tjerck Claessen [De Wit], to the south Frans Barentsen [Pastoor], length ten rods and breadth five or six and twenty feet, which lot is a part of the patent granted by the heer director general and council of New Netherland, to Daniel Rinckhout, of date the 25th of October, 1653; acknowledging that he, the grantor, is fully paid and satisfied for said house and lot, and therefore he promises to free the same from all claims, actions, or pretensions, which may hereafter arise, under pledge of his person and estate, real and personal, present and future, submitting himself to the authority of all laws and judges.

Done in Fort Orange the 28th of May, 1663.

HARMEN TOMASSE.

Goosen Gerretsen,
Jan Tomasse.

Acknowledged before me,

LA MONTAGNE, *Commis* at Fort Orange.

Appeared before me Johannes La Montagne, in the service of, etc., in the presence of the honorable Jan Tomasse and Johan Verbeeck, commissaries, etc., Gillis Pietersen [Timmerman], who declares that he has granted and conveyed, as by these presents he does grant and convey, in real and actual possession to and for the behoof of Harmen Tomasse

[Hun of Amersfort], husband and guardian of Cataryna Berex, widow of the late Dirk Bensingh, his heirs or assigns, a lot, lying in the village of Beverwyck, adjoining to the south Evert Janse Wendel, north and west the street; length on the south side nine and a half rods, and on the north side five rods, breadth on the west side seven and a half rods, on the east side eight rods, which lot the grantor received by patent from the Heer director general and council of New Netherland, of date the 14th of April, A. D. 1654, and acknowledges that he, the grantor, has been fully paid and satisfied for the purchase of the same, and, therefore, promises to free said lot from all actions, claims or pretensions, which may arise, binding therefor his person and estate, real and personal, present and future, nothing excepted, and subjecting himself to the authority of all laws and judges.

Done in Fort Orange, the 28th of May, A. D. 1663.

JELIS PETERSE.

Jan Tomase.
Jan Verbeeck.

Acknowledged before me,

LA MONTAGNE, *Commis* at Fort Orange.

Appeared before me Johannes La Montagne, in the service of, etc., in the presence of the honorable Jan Verbeeck and Gerrit Slichtenhorst, commissaries, etc., Harmen Tomassen [Hun of Amersfoort], husband and guardian of Catarina Berex, widow of Dirk Bensingh, deceased, who declares that he has granted and conveyed, as by these presents he does grant and convey in real and actual possession to and for the behoof of Maritien Damens, widow of the late Henderick Anderiessen [Van Doesburgh], her heirs or assigns, a lot, lying in the village of Beverwyck, to the south the lots length nine rods nine feet six inches, to the north the grantor length seven rods eight feet, to the east Tjerck Claessen [De Wit], breadth three rods, to the west the road, breadth three rods, which lot is a part of the patent to Gillis Pieterse, granted by the heer director general and council of New Netherland, of date the 19th of April, A. D. 1654; and acknowledging that he, the grantor, is fully paid and satisfied for the purchase of said lot, he therefore promises to free the same from all actions, claims or pretensions, which may arise hereafter, pledging therefor his person and estate, real and personal, present and future, and submitting himself to the authority of all laws and judges.

Done in Fort Orange, the 29th of May, A. D. 1663.

HARMEN THOMASE.

Jan Verbeeck.
Gerrit Slichtenhorst.

Acknowledged before me,

LA MONTAGNE, *Commis* at Fort Orange.

Conditions on which the heirs of Annetien Bogardus, deceased, propose to sell at public sale, to the highest bidder, her house and lot, lying in the village of Beverwyck on the hill.—*First.* The buyer shall receive, on the first payment, the aforesaid house with an alley (*uytlaet*) on the east side, and a hen yard on the place with the lot, length to the west with the house five rods nine feet, and to the east five rods eight and a half feet, breadth to the north two rods eight and a half feet, and to the

south two rods seven feet, with all that is fast by earth and nailed, except the little shed (*afdackjen*) that stands on the west (east?) side of the house, and to the east the little Indian house, and which remains with said little Indian house to the behoof of Jonas [1] and Pieter [1] Bogardus. * * * * *

[This paper is incomplete and unexecuted].

Appeared before me Johannes Provoost, clerk, etc., the heirs of the late Annetien Bogardus of the one side, and Dirk Wesselse [Ten Broeck] of the other side, who declare in presence of the afternamed witnesses, that in friendship and amity, they have agreed and contracted with each other that the aforesaid heirs (being the surviving children of said Annetien Bogardus, deceased,), have sold to said Dirk Wesselse, as by these presents they do, their late mother's house and lot, lying in the village of Beverwyck, adjoining to the east Jonas and Pieter Bogardus, and to the west Evert Janse Wendels, the same lot which she occupied to the day of her death; length to the west with the house five rods nine feet, and to the east five rods and eight and a half feet, breadth to the north two rods eight and a half feet, and to the south two rods seven feet, together with a shed (*afdack*) to the east side of said house, that has been rented out three months to the date of this purchase, and the rent of which the buyer shall receive; for which house and lot the said Dirk Wesselse, as buyer, promises to pay the sum of one thousand guilders, payable in good whole merchantable beaver skins, at eight guilders a piece, in three installments: the first immediately, the second on the first of July, 1664, and the third or last on the first of July, 1665, each time a just third part of the whole sum; the buyer shall, with the first payment, receive the aforesaid house and lot, and in the meantime said house shall be occupied at his risk, also with the last payment the buyer shall receive a proper conveyance, all of which the parties aforesaid mutually promise to hold good and true, under pledge according to law.

Done in Beverwyck, in presence of Wouter Albertsen [Van den Uythooff] and David Provoost, as witnesses hereto called, on this 21st of June, A. D. 1663.

W. Bogardus.
Jan Roeloffse.
Cornelis Bogardus.
by order of the other heirs,
Dirk Wesselse Ten Broeck.

Wouter Alberts.
David Provoost.

Acknowledged before me,

Johannes Provoost, Clerk.

Conditions on which the administrators of the estate of Anderies Herbertsen and Rut Jacobsen propose to sell at public sale, to the highest bidder, all the grain (*kooren*) that is sown and stands on their island

[1] Sons of Annatie Janse Bogardus.

(lying obliquely opposite Betlehem). The aforesaid grain shall be delivered to the buyer, on the understanding, that the whole island is sowed with fifty-three schepels of winter grain, of which eight schepels is rye and all the remainder is wheat, which the buyer may harvest and gather into the barn and rick there standing; also the buyer shall be permitted to lodge two men in the house there (at the close of the harvest), with their luggage, to plough and sow the land again. The payment shall be made on the 15 January, A. D. 1664, in beavers or grain at beavers price, within which time the buyer shall be holden to remove and carry away said purchased grain whether it be threshed out or not. * * * * *

[This paper is imperfect and not signed].

Conditions on which the administrators of the estate of Anderies Herbertsen propose to sell to the highest bidder, at public sale, the half island that belongs to him and Rutger Jacobsen in company, except the grain, which at present stands upon it. Said half island shall be delivered to the buyer so soon as the grain at present standing upon it is hauled off, that it may be properly ploughed, in such right, title and ownership, as the said Anderies Herbertsen had therein, according to the tenor and contents of the patent by the Heer director general and council of New Netherland granted him. The buyer shall permit the purchasers of the grain at present standing there, at their convenience to stow away and keep their grain in the barn and rick, and to thresh it out according to their contract, by the 15th of January, A. D. 1664. The buyer shall be holden his promised purchase money to pay in good whole merchantable beavers or grain at beavers price, in two installments: the first on the first of July, A. D. 1664, and the second on the first of July, A. D. 1665. The buyer shall be holden to furnish two sufficient sureties, one for all and each as principals to the content of the seller, in the time of twenty-four hours. If the buyer cannot furnish said sureties in said time, then said half island shall be offered for sale again, at his cost and charge, and whatever less it comes to be worth, he shall be holden to make good, and whatever more it comes to be worth, he shall enjoy no profit therefrom. The auction fees become a charge to the buyer, payable as above. Volckert Janse [Douw] remained the last bidder, according to the aforementioned conditions, for the sum of six hundred and twenty guilders, for the payment of which Adriaen Gerritsen [Papendorp] and Jan Tomassen stood as sureties and principals, for which they pledged their persons and estates, real and personal, present and future, subjecting themselves to the authority of all laws and judges.

Done in the village of Beverwyck, the 26th of June, A. D. 1663.

VOLKART JANSE.
ADRIAEN GERRETSEN.
JAN TOMASE.

Acknowledged before me,

LA MONTAGNE, *Commis* at Fort Orange.

Conditions on which the administrators of the estate of Andries Herbertsen with Rutger Jacobsen proposes to sell, at public sale to the highest bidder, all the grain that is sowed and stands upon their island lying obliquely opposite Betlehem. The aforesaid grain shall be delivered

to the seller, on the understanding that it is all sowed with 53 schepels of winter grain, to wit, 45 schepels of wheat and 8 schepels of rye, which the buyer may harvest and gather into the barn and rick, which now stand there. The buyer shall be holden to pay the promised money on the 15th of January, A. D. 1664, payable in good whole merchantable beaver skins or wheat at beaver price. The buyer shall be holden to furnish two sufficient sureties, one for all and each, as principals, immediately to the content of the sellers. If the buyer cannot furnish said sureties in said time, then the aforesaid grain shall be offered for sale again at his cost and charge, and whatever less it comes to be worth he shall be holden to make good, and whatever more it comes to be worth he shall derive no profit therefrom. The auction fees become a charge to the buyer, payable as before. Rutger Jacobsen remained the last bidder, according to the above conditions, for the sum of five hundred and twenty guilders, pledging therefor his person and estate, real and personal, subjecting himself to the authority of all laws and judges.

Done in Beverwyck, the 26th of June, A. D. 1663.

RUTGER JACOBSEN.

On this 28th day of July, A.D. 1663, appeared before me Johannes La Montagne, in the service of etc., Jan Anderissen and Anderies Hanse Van Sweeden, who offered themselves as sureties and principals for the person of Rutger Jacobsen for the payment of half of the above mentioned sum of five hundred and twenty guilders (for the purchase of the aforesaid grain of Anderies Herbertsen, the said half) being two hundred and ninety-five guilders, which they accept and promise to pay to the administrators of said estate of Andries Herbertsen, in grain from the crop at present standing thereon, and that no grain shall be removed therefrom before that the said administrators are fully paid and satisfied, under pledge of their persons and estates real and personal, submitting themselves to the authority of all laws and judges.

Done in Fort Orange *ut supra.*

This is the mark of ⌒ JAN ANDERIESSEN,
with his own hand set.
This is the mark + of ANDERIES HANSE.
with his own hand set.

J. Provoost, witness.

Appeared before me, Johannes La Montagne, in the service of, etc., in the presence of Jan Tomassen and Stoffel Janse [Abeel] commissaries etc., Jan Lambertsen Van Bremen, who declares that he has granted and conveyed, as by these presents he does, in real and actual possession to and for the behoof of Pieter Janssen De Boer, his heirs or assigns, a house and lot lying in the village of Beverwyck, bounded according to the patent to the east Doctor (*Meester*) Jacob [D'Hinse] length six rods, to the west Jan Van Breemen length 6 rods, to the north the road, breadth three rods, to the south the plain breadth three rods, which patent was given to him, the grantor, by the Heer director general and council of New Netherland of date the last of April, A.D. 1663, for which house and lot, the grantor acknowledges that he has had satisfaction, and there-

fore promises to free the same from all actions, claims, or pretensions, which may hereafter arise, pledging therefor his person and estate, real and personal, subjecting himself to the authority of all laws and judges.

Done in Fort Orange the 29th of June, A.D. 1663.

This is the mark + of JAN LAMBERTSEN VAN BREEMEN.
with his own hand set.

Jan Tomase.
Stoffel Janse.

Acknowledge before me,

LA MONTAGNE, *Commis* at Fort Orange.

In the name of the Lord Amen: Be it known by the contents of this present instrument, that in the year sixteen hundred and sixty-three, the 30th of June, appeared before me, Johannes La Montagne, in the service of, etc., the Honorable Evert-Janssen Wendel, late commissary of this place, widower of the late Susanna De Truwe,[1] who declares in presence of the afternamed witnesses and of the honorable Jan Verbeeck commissary and orphan master, that for God's honor, he has contracted a future marriage with Maria Abrahamse[2] widow of the late Tomas Janssen Mingael, and before the consummation of the same, he, the appearer (*comparant*), has assented to the following conditions: Firstly, that the aforesaid betrothed persons, for the maintenance of this marriage, shall mutually collect and bring together all present and such estates and effects of whatsoever nature, in whatsoever place, with whatsoever persons the same may lie or be deposited, nothing excepted, which they each have and are furnished with, to be possessed by them in common, according to the law of our Fatherland; except that out of the appearer's [Wendel's] estate, to wit, from the estate left by Susanna De Truwe deceased, shall be reserved the sum of one thousand guilders at beavers price, for her six remaining children, to wit; Elsie Wendel aged 16 years, Johannes Wendel aged 14 years, Diewer Wendel aged 10 years, Jeronimus Wendel aged 8 years, Philip Wendel aged 5 years, and Evert Wendel aged 3 years, being her matrimonial portion, and to this end the appearer [Wendel] not only makes said sum a lien upon his house and lot for the satisfying of the same, but specially mortgages and pledges the same for securing the payment of the aforesaid sum; for which purpose said appearer appoints as guardians the honorable Isaac Foreest and Symon Symonsen Groot, uncles of said children on their mother's side; meanwhile the aforesaid married people remaining holden said children to bring up in the fear of the Lord, to teach them in the schools to read and write, further to maintain them in food and clothing until their majority and marriage, without diminishing the matrimonial estate left by her; which contract the appearer [Wendel] promises to maintain without craft or guile, pledging for that purpose his person and estate, real and personal, present and future, nothing excepted, subjecting himself to the authority of all laws and judges.

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[1] This name is now Truax.

[2] She was the daughter of Abraham Pieterse Vosburgh.

Thus done in the presence of Adriaen Gerretsen [Papendorp] old commissary, and Johannes Provoost, as witnesses hereto called, of date *ut supra.*

EVERT JANSE WENDEL.

Jan Verbeeck,
Adriaen Gerretsen,
Johannes Provoost, witness.

Acknowledged before me,

LA MONTAGNE, *Commis* at Fort Orange.

Appeared before me, Johannes La Montagne, in the service of, etc., in the presence of the honorable Jan Verbeeck and Stoffel Janse [Abeel] commissaries, etc., Arent Isaackse Van Hoeck burgher and inhabitant of the aforesaid village, who acknowledges and declares, by these presents, that he is well and truly indebted to Philip Henderickse [Brouwer], inhabitant of Schannhectade, in the sum of four hundred guilders, which sum he, the subscriber, promises to pay in good whole merchantable beaver skins in the month of July, A.D. 1664, with interest on the same at ten *per cent*, to begin at this date; for which he pledges his person and estate, real and personal, present and future, especially the subscriber's house and lot lying in the village of Beverwyck, next to Philip Pietersen [Schuyler's] house, being the same that the subscriber bought of said Philip Henderickse and which he offers as a fast pledge and special mortgage, that in case of necessity, the payment of said four hundred guilders may be collected without loss and cost.

Done in Fort Orange the 6th of July, A.D. 1663.

ARENT ISAACKSE VAN HOECK.

Appeared before me, Johannes Provoost, clerk, etc., Teunis Cornelisse Slingerlandt, inhabitant of said village, who acknowledges and declares in presence of the afternamed witnesses, that he is well and truly indebted to Mr. Jeronimus Ebbinck, merchant of Amsterdam in New Netherland, in the sum of a hundred and seventy guilders twelve stuivers payable in good whole merchantable beaver skins, for which sum he, the subscriber, not only assigns, but fully grants and conveys over the second payment on his house bought by Antony De Milt, also dwelling at Amsterdam in New Netherland, from whom the subscriber is to receive it in June, A.D. 1664, when the time of payment expires, and which payment the said De Milt will punctually make; to which end the subscriber is preferred, that he may be paid before any one else; wherefore he pledges his person and estate, real and personal, present and future, nothing excepted, subjecting himself to the authority of all laws and judges.

Done in Fort Orange the 21st of July, A.D. 1663.

TUENYES CORNELIS SLYENGHERLANDT.

This is the mark **AB** *of Arent Vanden Bergh,*
with his own hand set, witness.
This is the mark + *of Ryck Rutgers,*
witness, with his own hand set.

Acknowledged before me,

J. PROVOOST, Clerk.

Appeared before me, Johannes La Montagne, in the service of, etc., in the presence of the honorable Jan Verbeeck and Gerrit Slichtenhorst commissaries, etc., Leendert Philipsen [Conyn], inhabitant of said village, who acknowledges and declares that he is well and truly indebted to Mr. Johannes Vander Meulen, merchant at Amsterdam in New Netherland, in the sum of twelve hundred and two guilders in good whole merchantable beaver skins at 8 guilders a piece, growing out of goods and merchandise delivered, which he has received to his content out of the hands of Isaack De Haen, which said sum he promises to pay in the business season [1] (*handeltyt*) of the year 1663; for the payment of which he, the subscriber, offers for a fast mortgage and special pledge his house and lot lying in the village of Beverwyck where he at present dwells, likewise his person and estate, real and personal, present and future, nothing excepted, that in case of need the payment of said sum of one thousand two hundred guilders may be effected without loss and cost.

Thus done in Fort Orange the 27th of July, A.D. 1663.

LEENDERT PYLYPSE.

Gerrit Slichtenhorst,
Jan Verbeeck.

Acknowledged before me,

LA MONTAGNE, *Commis* at Fort Orange.

Appeared before me, Johannes Provoost, clerk, Geertruy Barentse Van Dwingeloo, being now about to depart for *Patria*, who declares in the presence of the afternamed witnesses, that she has appointed and empowered as by these presents she does, Pieter Claerbout and Wouter Albertse [Vanden Uythoff], burghers here, in her name and for her sake to demand, collect and receive here in Fort Orange in New Netherland, such out standing debts as are due to her according to the existing writings and evidences thereof; for receipts acquittance to pass, and in case of refusal of payment to proceed with law and rigor of justice; to that end all terms of laws to observe to sentence and extreme execution, and in case of need to proceed against persons and estates by arrest; and further all things to do and perform, which her attorneys may judge reasonable, promising to hold as good and true whatever shall be done and performed by the attorneys in the matter aforesaid, provided that they be holden to make a proper settlement and return of their transactions and receipts.

Thus done in Fort Orange in presence of Willem De La Montagne and Carsten Carstense [Noorman] as witnesses hereto called, on the 4th of August, A.D. 1663.

This is the mark ◁ of GEERTRUY BARENTSE,
with her own hand set.

Willem de la Montagne,
This is the mark ∧ *of Carsten Carstensen.*

Acknowledged before me,

JOHANNES PROVOOST, Clerk.

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[1] The *handeltyt* was June, July and August, when the beaver skins and other peltries were brought to Beverwyck by the Indians for exchange.

Appeared before me, Johannes La Montagne, in the service of, etc., in the presence of the honorable Goosen Gerritsen [Van Schaick] and Jan Tomassen commissaries, etc., Geertruy Barents Van Dwingeloo assisted by Jacob Hevick her husband and guardian, at present being about to depart for *Patria*, who declares, as by these presents she does, that she has pledged and mortgaged her house and lot lying in the village of Beverwyck, for a hundred good whole merchantable beaver skins at 8 guilders a piece, which she assigned to the two remaining children of Henderick Henderickse Van Harstenhorst, her late husband after the expiration of 6 weeks from the death of said husband deceased; this she does at the desire of Pieter Claerbout and Wouter Albertse [Vanden Uythoff] guardians of said children and by the persuasion of the orphan master; and therefore she promises said hundred beaver skins to invest in fatherland and as a discharge of this trust a proper voucher to bring or send where and in what security said hundred beavers or the value of the same is invested; in her character pledging her estate, real and personal, present and future, nothing excepted, subjecting herself to the authority of all laws and judges.

Thus done in Fort Orange in New Netherland, the 4th of August, A D. 1663.

This is the mark < of JACOB HEVICK,
with his own hand set.
GERTTRUET BARENS.

Pieter Claerboudt, as guardian,
Wouter Albers.

Appeared before me, Johannes Provoost, clerk, etc., and in the presence of the afternamed witnesses, Cornelis Cornelissen *de boer* and Jan Henderickse Bruyn, who declare that they, in all friendship and amity, have agreed and contracted with each other, to wit, that the aforesaid Cornelis Cornelissen *de boer* to said Jan Henderickse Bruyn has sold, as by these presents he does, his house and lot lying in the village of Beverwyck adjoining to the west Barent Van Marle, and to the east Dirk Janssen Kroon, in such title, magnitude and boundaries as he received it from Pieter De Maker, and according to the tenor of the conveyance received from him; for which the said Jan Henderickse Bruyn promises to pay the sum of one thousand two hundred and twenty-four guilders payable in good whole merchantable beaver skins, in two installments, the first on the last of July A.D. 1664, and the second on the last of July, A.D. 1665, for the performance of which the parties hereto pledge their persons and estates, real and personal.

Thus done without craft or guile, in presence of Pieter Van Ale and Lowies Cobussen as witnesses hereto called, on this 9th of August, A.D. 1663, in Fort Orange.

CORNELIS CORNELISSEN *de boer*,
JAN HENDERICK BRUYNS.

Pieter Van Allen,
Ludovicus Cobes.

Acknowledged before me,

JOHANNES PROVOOST, Clerk.

Appeared before me, Johannes Provoost, clerk, etc., and in the presence of the afternamed witnesses, Cornelis Cornelissen de Boer, who declares

that he has appointed and empowered as by these presents he does appoint and empower, Hans Henderickse and Pieter Van Alen in his name and for his sake to demand, collect and receive, such outstanding debts and moneys as to him are coming here at Fort Orange in New Netherland, according to writings and proofs thereof; for receipts acquittance to pass, and in case of refusal payment to compel by law and rigor of justice; to that end all terms of the laws to observe to a definitive sentence and extreme execution; also to proceed by arrest against persons and estates; furthermore all things to do and perform that they, the attorneys, shall judge reasonable, provided that they shall be holden a proper statement and returns to make of their transactions and receipts; the subscriber promising to hold as good and true all that shall be done and performed by them in the matter aforesaid.

Thus done in Fort Orange, in presence of Capt. Abraham Staets and Arent Van Den Bergh as witnesses hereto called, on this 16th of August, A.D. 1663.

CORNELIS CORNELISSEN DE BOER.

Abram Staas,
This is the mark **AB** *of Arent Vanden Bergh,*
with his own hand set.

Acknowledged before me,

J. PROVOOST, Clerk.

Appeared before me, Johannes La Montagne, in the service of, etc., in the presence of the Honorable Francoys Boon and Goosen Gerritse [Van Schaick] commissaries, etc., Teunis Cornelisse Slingerlandt, who acknowledges and declares by these presents that he is well and truly indebted to the Honorable Pieter Dirkse, merchant, dwelling at Amsterdam, in the sum of five hundred and sixty-one guilders fourteen stuivers, for goods and merchandise to his content received, which aforesaid sum he, the subscriber, promises to pay to the aforesaid Pieter Dirkse, or to Mr. Nicolaes Meyer, also merchant, who is his attorney, in good whole merchantable beaver skins, in two installments, the first in the month of July, A.D. 1664, the just half, and the second in the month of July, A.D. 1665; for the payment of which aforesaid sum he, the subscriber, offers as a fast mortgage and special pledge his house and lot together with a garden and little house by the side of said house, lying in the village of Beverwyck, in which he at present dwells, that in case of need the payment of the aforesaid sum of five hundred and sixty-one guilders fourteen stuivers may be collected without loss or cost.

Done in Fort Orange the 27th of August, A.D. 1663.

TUENYES CORNELISE SLYENGHERLANT.

Francoys Boon,
Goosen Gerretsen.

Acknowledged before me,

LA MONTAGNE, *Commis* at Fort Orange.

Appeared before me, Johannes La Montagne, in the service of, etc., in the presence of the Honorable Jan Verbeeck and Gerrit Slichtenhorst commissaries, etc., Leendert Philipsen [Conyn], inhabitant of said village, who declares that he has granted and conveyed, as by these presents he does grant and convey in real and actual possession to and for the behoof

of Mr. Nicolaes Meyer, merchant in Amsterdam, in New Netherland his heirs or assigns, a garden lying in the aforesaid village, to the west [east?] the river bank, to the east [west?] the street, to the south Pieter Bronck, to the north also the street, of such magnitude as it at present lies in fence, and shall shortly be measured by the surveyor, which garden the grantor received by conveyance from Anderies Herbertsen, who obtained the same from the Heer director general and council of New Netherland, by virtue of a patent of date the 23d of April, A.D. 1653; and the grantor acknowledges that he has been fully paid and satisfied for said garden with the number of fifteen beaver skins, and therefore promises to free it from all demands or pretensions, which may hereafter arise, pledging therefor his person and estate, real and personal, present and future, subjecting himself to the authority of all laws and judges.

Done in Fort Orange, the 27th of August, A.D. 1663.

LEENDERT PHYLES [PHILIPSE].

Jan Verbeeck,
Gerrit Slichtenhorst.

Acknowledged before me,

LA MONTAGNE, *Commis* at Fort Orange.

Appeared before me, Johannes Provoost, clerk, etc., and in the presence of the afternamed witnesses, Teunis Cornelise Slingerland, inhabitant of said village, who acknowledges and declares by these presents that he is well and truly indebted to Pieter Rens retailer, dwelling at Amsterdam, in the sum of two hundred and eighty Carolus guilders according to agreement by the subscriber with Mr. Nicholaes Meyer, merchant at Amsterdam in New Netherland, attorney for said Rens, growing out of goods and merchandise, which the subscriber received out of Holland from said Rens on bottomry, the principal sum of which was 330 guilders, the bottomry 78 guilders, and the interest thereon 48 guilders; which aforesaid sum of two hundred and eighty guilders, for which he has contracted, the subscriber promises to pay to said Rens or his attorney in good whole merchantable beaver skins, in two installments, the first in the month of July, A.D. 1665, and the second in the month of July A.D. 1666. *

[This paper is unexecuted].

Appeared before me La Montagne, in the service of, etc., and in the presence of the Honorable Messieurs Francoys Boon and Jan Verbeeck commissaries, etc., the Honorable Jan Cornelise Vander Heyden, citizen here, who declares that he appoints and empowers by these presents his father Cornelis Jacobsen Vander Heyden, dwelling at Sevenbergen in Brabant, specially to demand, collect, and receive from the hand of the heirs of his uncle and guardian, the late Jacob Van Duren, such inherited estate as is coming to him by the death of his grandmother the late Neeltien Black, from his mother Sarah Janssen Van Duren deceased, and his brother the late Jacob Cornelise Vander Heyden, whether by virtue of will or *ab intestato;* the condition and inventory of the estates to demand; the same to approve or disprove; his rights and hereditary portion receiving acquittance therefor to pass; and in case of opposition (without hope) the same to prosecute by means of justice; to which end, all terms of laws to observe to sentence and extreme execution, with powers also to agree, compromise and compound; likewise one or

more persons if need be in his place to substitute; and further all things to do and perform, which may be needful and he shall think needful, promising at all times to hold good all that shall be done and performed in, the matter aforesaid by his father as his attorney, or by his substitute without any opposition, under pledge according to laws therefor provided.

Done in Fort Orange in New Netherland, the 3d of September, A.D. 1663.

JAN CORNELISSE VANDER HEYDEN.[1]

Francoys Boon.

Acknowledged before me,

LA MONTAGNE, *Commis* at Fort Orange.

Appeared before me Johannes La Montagne, in the service of, etc., and in the presence of the Honorable Jan Tomassen and Jan Verbeeck commissaries etc., Willem Janssen Schut, who declares that he has granted and conveyed, as by these presents he does grant and convey in real and actual possession to and for the behoof of Cornelis Bogardus[2] his heirs and assigns, his house and lot lying in the village of Beverwyck, bounded on the westerly side by the house and lot of Anderies Herbertsen, present owner Jurriaen Janssen [Groenwout], on the northerly side by the highway, on the easterly side by Jacob Loockerman, and on the southerly side by the garden of said Jurriaen Janssen, (the lot is of such magnitude as it lies at present in fence according to the aforesaid boundaries); which said house stands on the lot bought, by the grantor, of said Anderies Herbertsen, being a part of the patent to said Herbertsen granted, by the Heer director general and Council of New Netherland of date the ..... for which house and lot the grantor acknowledges that he is fully paid and satisfied with the sum of eighty good whole merchantable beaver skins, reckoned at eight guilders a piece, assigned as an offset for what he the grantor is indebted to Johannes Withart; therefore he promises to free the same from all actions, demands or pretensions, which may hereafter arise, pledging therefor his person and estate, personal and real, present and future, submitting himself to the authority of all laws and judges.

Done in Beverwyck the 11th of September, A.D. 1663.

WILLEM JANSEN SCHUT.

As the above standing sum of eighty guilders, beaver skins, is nothing different (?) after a further settlement of outstanding [debts] between each other (that is between J. Withart and Willem Janssen Schut), so each one remains *daer van in syn geheel.*

Done the 11th of September A.D. 1663, in Beverwyck.

WILLEM JANSSEN SCHUET.
JAN JANSSEN.
Attorney for JOAN WITHART.

Appeared before me Johannes Provoost, clerk, etc., and in the presence of the afternamed witnesses, Rutger Jacobsen, at present about to depart

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[1] J. C. Vander Heyden made his will September 1, 1663, and speaks of his wife Aeltie Janse Wemp, born in the *Colonie*, Daughter of Jan Barentse Wemp deceased. *Notarial papers*, I. *Dutch Manuscripts*, x. 207.

[2] Cornelis Bogardus was son of Annatie Janse B.

for Manhattans, who declares that he has appointed and empowered as by these presents he does, Teunis Cornelisse Spitsbergen and Jacob Heveck, in the subscriber's name and for his sake, to sell at public sale to the highest bidder, the subscriber's half island named Constaple's Island, and in said matter to do and act, as the subscriber, being present, could or might do; promising to hold, as true and good, all that shall be done and performed by the attorneys in the matter of the aforesaid sale, provided that they make a proper statement and exhibit of their transactions. Thus done in Fort Orange in presence of Ryck Rutgersen as witness hereto called, on this 12th of September, A. D. 1663.

RUTGER JACOBSEN.

This is the mark of + Ryck Rutgersen, with his own hand set.

Acknowledged before me,

J. PROVOOST, Clerk.

Conditions on which the Messieurs *commies* and commissaries of Fort Orange and village of Beverwyck propose to farm out, at public sale to the highest bidder, the slaughter excise for the time of one year. The farming of the said slaughter excise shall begin on the first of October of this year and end on the last of September, A. D. 1664. The farmer shall receive for the slaughtered beasts, whether ox, cow, calf, bull, hog, goat or sheep, one stuiver for every guilder of value of the same, to wit, for those bought for beavers shall be given twenty stuivers in seewant a beaver, in case of dispute to be valued by indifferent persons; the farmer is holden to furnish two sufficient sureties to the content of the Messieurs contractors, for the excise money; the just half of the promised excise money to be paid within the time of six weeks; the other half within the two last quarters, each quarter a fourth part of the whole sum, in good current seewant; if the farmer can not furnish sufficient sureties, it shall be offered for sale again at his cost and charge, and whatever less it comes to be worth, he shall be holden to make good, and whatever more it comes to be worth he shall receive no profit therefrom.

On the above conditions Henderick Rooseboom remained the last bidder and farmer, for the sum of seven hundred and ninety guilders; for the payment of which aforesaid sum, Philip Pieterse Schuyler and Wouter Albertse [Vanden Uythoff] offered themselves as sureties and principals under pledge of their persons and estates, personal and real, present and future, nothing excepted, placing themselves in subjection to all laws and judges.

Done in Beverwyck the 29th of September, A. D. 1663.

HENDERICK JANSSEN ROOSEBOOM,
PHILIP PIETERSE SCHUYLER,
WOUTER ALBERSEN.

Acknowledged before me,

LA MONTAGNE, *Commis*, at Fort Orange.

Appeared before me, Johannes La Montagne, in the service of, etc., and in the presence of the afternamed witnesses, an Indian named Wattawit with his mother named Pepewitsie, who declares that they have sold, granted and conveyed, as they do sell, grant and convey by these presents in real and actual possession to and for the behoof of Volckert Janssen [Douw] and Jan Tomassen, their certain land lying on the *yoojer's kil* on

Apjen's island, or by the Indians called Schotack, their portion of said Apjen's island (which the buyers for the afternamed sum receive), is the north end, extending from the north end until right over against the south end of the Green flat (*groene plaet*), cutting obliquely over Apjen's island to the kil which makes the island; together with a piece of land on the east shore of the kil, being the fast bank, where the house of Machacknotas stood, and extending into the woods; for the sum of 442 guilders in beavers payable in merchandise, which the grantors acknowledge that they have received and to be paid, therefore, promising the aforesaid parcel of land as well on the fast bank as on the island, to free from all actions, claims, or pretentions of the other Indians, who might sinisterly make some pretention to the same.

Thus done in the village of Beverwyck, in presence of Tomas Schambert [Chambers] and Johannes Provoost, as witnesses hereto called, on this 4th of October, A.D. 1663.

This is the mark of WATTAWIT.
with his own hand set.
This is the mark of the mother of WATTAWIT,
with her own hand set.

Thomas Chambers,
Johannes Provoost, Clerk.
Acknowledged before me,
LA MONTAGNE, *Commis* at Fort Orange.

At the same time, on the date above, appeared before me, Johannes La Montagne, *commies*, in the aforesaid character, an Indian with a squaw, the Indian named Naspahan or Pofponick, and the squaw named Pasies, owners of the south end of Apjen's island named Schotack, who declare that they have sold, granted and conveyed, as by these presents they do grant and convey, in real and actual possession to and for the behoof of Volckert Janssen [Douw] and Jan Tomassen, their heirs or assigns, said south end of the aforesaid island, being the greatest half, beginning from a point over against the Green Flat (*groene plaet*), and running to the south end of said Apjen's island, so that the whole island of said Apjen belongs to these grantees; for the sum of 500 guilders in beavers in merchandise paid to them, which the grantors acknowledge they have received, and therefore promise to free the same from every action or demand of other Indians, who may present any claim to it.

Thus done in Beverwyck, in presence of Tomas Chambert [Chambers] and Johannes Provoost, as witnesses hereto called, on the 4th of October, A.D. 1663.

This the mark of NASPAHAN,
with his own hand set.
This is the mark of the squaw PASIES.
with her own hand set.

Thomas Chambers,
Johannes Provoost, Witness.
Acknowledged before me,
LA MONTAGNE, *Commis* at Fort Orange.

Appeared before me Johannes Provoost, clerk, etc., and in the presence of the afternamed witnesses, Stoffel Janssen Abeel, commissary, etc., who declares that he has appointed and empowered, as by these presents he does, the Honorable Pieter Jacobsen, merchant at Amsterdam in New Netherland, in the subscriber's name and for his sake, in all humility, to ask of the Heer director general and council of New Netherland, restitution for the subscriber's certain goods and merchandise, which were by the Heer fiscal retained, because said goods at Amsterdam in Holland, by mistake of the clerk Liefferingh, were not put into the invoice, about which error said Liefferingh has given a written explanation; not receiving the aforesaid goods in kind the director general to ask only that the same may serve as a payment for the liability (?) (*recognitie*); to which end all proper means to use, which, the subscriber himself being present, might or could use, although the matter should require more special authority than is herein expressed; the subscriber promising to hold good and true all that the attorney in the matter aforesaid shall do and perform, provided that he make a proper statement and return of his transactions and receipts; under pledge of his person and estate.

Thus done in Fort Orange in presence of Jan Harmensen and Harmen Tomassen [Hun of Amers fort] as witnesses hereto called on this 6th of October, A. D. 1663.

STOFFEL JANSE ABEEL.

Jan Harmensen Weendorp,
Harmen Tomase [*Hun.*]

J. PROVOOST, Clerk.

Conditions on which the Honorable Sander Leendersen Glen proposes to sell, at public sale to the highest bidder, his house and lot lying in the village of Beverwyck, on the hill, adjoining on the east side Wouter Albertsen [Van den Uythoff], and on the west side Jan Tomassen. Said house and lot shall be delivered to the buyer as it stands and lies in fence, with all that is earth and nail fast, and with the last payment a proper conveyance thereof shall be delivered to him. Payment shall be made in two installments, the first on the first of June, A. D. 1664, and the second on the first of June, A. D. 1665, in good whole merchantable beaver skins. The buyer shall be holden to furnish two sufficient sureties immediately, one for each and all, as principals, to the content of the seller. If the buyer can not furnish said sureties in the time aforesaid, said house and lot shall be offered for sale again at his cost and charge, and whatever less it comes to be worth, he shall be holden to make good, and whatever more it becomes worth, he shall receive no benefit therefrom. The auction fees become a charge to the buyer. On the above conditions, Jan Clute remained the last bidder, for the sum of six hundred and thirty guilders, for the payment of which, Jacob Tyssen Vander Heyden and Barent Reyndersen offered themselves as sureties and principals, on a pledge of their persons and estates, personal and real, placing themselves in subjection to all laws and judges.

Done the 17th of October, A. D. 1663, in Beverwyck.

JOHANNES CLUTE.

Jacob Theysen,
Barent Reynderssen.

Conditions on which the Messieurs *Commies* and commisssaries of Fort Orange and Beverwyck, propose, in the name and for the sake of the Heer director general and council of New Netherland, to farm out to the highest bidder the excise of all wines, beers, and spirts (*gebrande wateren,*) to be consumed and drawn by the innkeepers, tapsters, and retailers, in and about Fort Orange, village of Beverwyck and Colony Rensselaerswyck. The farming out (*verpachtinge*) as well as the farming (*pachtinge*) is done in accordance with the praiseworthy custom of our fatherland and the printed ordinances and placards of their high mightinesses the Heeren States General issued on the subject of the finances. The farming shall commence on the first of November [1663], and end on the last of October, A.D. 1664, being the time of 12 months, during which time the farmer may demand and receive for all wines, beers, or spirits to be consumed or drawn by the tapsters and innkeepers, in or about Fort Orange, and village of Beverwyck, as follows:

for a tun of domestic beer,.....	4	guilders.
for a tun of foreign beer,.....	6	"
for a hogshead of French wine,.....	20	"
for an anker, do	4	"
for an anker of Spanish wine,.....		
brandy, mead, or spirits,.....	7	"
for an anker of cider,.....	2	"

Greater or less casks (*fustagien*), proportionally, at beaver prices, or else 12 white or six black [sewants] for a stuiver, at the option of the payer. The farmer, or highest bidder, shall be holden to the content of the Messieurs contractors (*verpachters*) to furnish two sufficient sureties, for the *pacht* money a just fourth part to be paid every three months, in beavers or else in seewant, 12 white or six black a stuiver. To prevent all cavilling, misunderstanding, and frauds, it is stipulated that after the expiration of this farming, when a new farming out is made, the new farmer shall be at liberty, on the day of the new farming out, the following day, or at least within three days after the farming out (*verpachtinge*), in the presence of the late farmer, if he wishes to be present, to guage the remaining wines, beers, or spirits held by the tapsters and innkeepers, and two thirds parts of the receipts, or excise due, is to be returned by the old or out going farmer to his successor. The messieurs contractors reserve to themselves the interpretation and enlargement of this contract, and promise the farmer all proper support and assistance. Willem Frederickse Bout remained the last bidder for the above farming, for the sum of three thousand eight hundred [3,800] guilders, according to the aforesaid conditions, for the payment of which Harmen Bastiaense [Visscher] and Jan Vinhagen stood as sureties and principals, according to the aforesaid conditions, pledging therefor their persons and estates, personal and real, present and future, nothing excepted.

Thus done in Beverwyck the last October, A. D. 1663.

This is the mark of WILLEM FREDRICKSE BOUT.
with his own hand set.

HARMEN BASTIAENS.

JAN DIRKSEN VINHAEGHEN.

Acknowledged before me, LA MONTAGNE, *Commis* at Fort Orange.

By order of the messieurs commissaries. J. PROVOOST, Clerk.

Conditions on which the Messieurs *Commis* and Commissaries of Fort Orange and village of Beverwyck, propose to farm out to the highest bidder the burgher's wine and beer excise for the time of one year. The farming out (*Verpachtinge*), as well as the farming (*pachtinge*), shall begin on the first of November in the year 1663; and end on the last of October, A.D. 1664, according to the ordinances of our Fatherland. The farmer shall receive for a tun of strong (*goet*) beer one dollar, for a tun of small beer ten stuivers, for a hogshead of French wine six guilders, for an anker of brandy, Spanish wine, or spirits two guilders, at 12 white and 6 black seewants (*sewantiens*) the stuiver, and the farmer aforesaid shall not refuse any burghers a permit? (*celen*), who is entered upon the burgher's excise. The farmer shall be holden to furnish two sufficient sureties, one for all and each, as principals, to the content of the Messieurs contractors (*verpachters*), for the payment of the aforesaid burgher's excise, every quarter year a just fourth part of the whole sum, in good strung seewant, at 12 white and 6 black seewants (*sewantiens*) the stuiver, and in case the farmer fails of furnishing the aforesaid sureties, then the aforesaid farming shall be offered for sale again, and whatever less it comes to be worth, he shall be holden to make good, and whatever more it shall become worth, he shall receive no profit therefrom. The messieurs contractors reserve to themselves the interpretation and enlargement of this contract and promise the farmer all proper aid and assistance. For the above farming Willem Frederickse Bout remained the last bidder and farmer, for the sum of two thousand five hundred guilders, for the payment of which Harmen Bastiaense [Visscher] and Jan Dirkse Vinhagen, stood as sureties and principals, according to the conditions aforesaid, pledging therefor their persons and estates, personal and real, present and future, nothing excepted.

Thus done in Beverwyck, the last of October, A.D. 1663.

WILLEM FREDERICKSE BOUT.
HARMEN BASTIAENS.
JAN DIRCKSEN VINHAEGHEN.

Acknowledged before me,

LA MONTAGNE, *Commis* at Fort Orange.

By order of the messieurs commissaries,

J. PROVOOST, Clerk.

Appeared before me, Johannes La Montagne, in the service of, etc., in the presence of the Honorable Jan Verbeeck and Goosen Gerritse [Van Schaick] commissaries, etc., Claes Janssen Van Baren, who acknowledges and declares that he is well and truly indebted to Anderies Jochimse in the sum of two hundred and forty-four guilders in beavers, growing out of the purchase of a lot, which aforesaid sum of two hundred and four and forty guilders in beavers, with interest on the same at ten per cent, to commence four years ago, and running until the final payment, he, the subscriber, promises to pay to the aforesaid Anderies Jochimsen or his attorney, on the first day of June, A.D. 1664, pledging therefor his person and estate, real and personal, present and future, nothing excepted, especially his house and lot lying in the village of Beverwyck, bounded to the

south by Stoffel Janse [Abeel], and to the north by the aforesaid commissary Jan Verbeeck, as a fast mortgage and special pledge, to secure the payment, if need be, of the aforesaid sum and interest on the same without cost or loss, submitting to this end to all laws and judges.

Done in Fort Orange, the 14th of November, A.D. 1663.

CLAES JANSE.

Goosen Gerretsen.
Jan Verbeeck.

Acknowledged before me,

LA MONTAGNE, *Commis* at Fort Orange.

Selctie Fredricx, attorney for her husband Anderies Jochimsen, declares, with the transfer of the house, which she took in possession, and acknowledges, that she is fully paid and satisfied for the sum of two hundred and forty-four guilders in beavers and interest on the same, without claiming any thing more of Claes Janssen.

Done in Albany the 3d of August, 1665, old style.

SELYTIEN FREDERICKSE.

Acknowledged before me,

JOHANNES PROVOOST, Secretary.

Appeared before me Johannes Provoost clerk of, etc., and in the presence of the afternamed witnesses, the honorable Wouter Albertsen [Van den Uythoff], citizen of said village, who declares that he has appointed and empowered, as by these presents he does appoint and empower, Jan Pietersen Muller soldier in the service of the honorable company, lying in garrison at the Esopus in the village of Wildwyck, in the subscriber's name and for his sake, to demand, collect, and receive, such debts and outstanding moneys as to him are coming, in the Esopus aforesaid, according to the writings and evidences thereto serving; for receipts acquittance to pass, and in the case of unwillingness, payment to compel, by law and rigor of justice; for which end all terms of the laws to observe to definitive sentence and extreme execution; * * also to proceed by arrest against persons and estates; furthermore all things to do and perform, which the subscriber being present could or might do, although the matter should require greater and more special authority than stands expressed in this paper, provided that the attorney be holden, on request made, to render a proper statement and return of his transactions and receipts, under pledge of his person and estate personal and real.

Thus done in Fort Orange, in presence of Arent Van den Bergh and Jochim Lambertsen [Van Valkenburgh], as witnesses hereto called, on this 23d of November, A. D. 1663.

WOUTER ALBERTSEN.

This is the mark AB *of Arent Vandenburgh,*
with his own hand set.

Jochem Lambertse.

Acknowledged before me,

JOHANNES PROVOOST, Clerk

Found in the kitchen, 5 little earthen pots, also 17 ditto little and great, 10 pewter platters, 1 pewter mug, 4 pewter dishes, 11 pewter spoons, 1 copper frying pan, an iron pot hanger, 2 iron pots and 1 copper ditto, 1 copper kettle, 2 little wooden pails, 1 lantern, 1 little pail, 1 skimmer, 2 wooden bowls.

[The above is probably a part of the following inventory.]

Inventory of the goods of Jan Gerritsen Van Marcken [1] farmer of the excise, taken the 11th of December, 1663. A clothes press wherein were found a little box (*bosjen*) of black seewant. 4 blue aprons, 1 ivory tobacco box, 8 men's and women's shirts (*hemden*), also 2 shirts, 5 sheets, also 2 ditto, 2 white roundabouts (*wambus*), 1 coarse white bed blanket, 18 pillow biers great and little, also 1 ditto, 15 napkins, 3 table cloths, 5 towels, a child's woolen bed blanket, a woman's white under waistcoat, 1 white drawers, (*onder broeck*), 2 white aprons, 4 red towels, 1 patched tick, a little child bed basket, 2 small red flowered curtains, 2 pairs of gloves, 3 black hoods, a woman's red boddice, a little piece of stuff, 4 woman's black cloaks, (2 lost), 1 man's red waistcoat, (lost), 1 piece of red stuff, 1 pair of women's shoes, 3 woman's stomachers, (lost), 2 black aprons, (one lost), a little green garment, 1 blue coat, (lost), 1 red coat and 2 black coats, (lost), a woman's gown, (the coat lost), 1 pair of man's and 1 pair of woman's stockings, (the woman's gone), 1 man's brown cloth suit, a man's serge suit, (lost), 1 pair of drawers, 1 man's black coat, (gone), 3 children's garments, 2 swathing cloths, 2 green valances, (gone), 2 green curtains, (gone), 1 bed coverlet.

Goods which hang loose about the house. 2 guns, 2 pocket pistols, 1 looking glass, 1 hollow cane [*stickaet*], 2 books, little and great, 3 pictures, 1 gridiron, 1 smoothing iron, 1 iron pot hanger, 1 tongs, 3 earthen dishes, 1 *bort* almanac.[2]

Found in the garret. 15 little white earthen mugs, 12 white do plates, a parcel of wine glasses, (?) 3 earthen saltcellers, 4 white ditto bowls, 3 earthen platters, 3 woman's wooden * a parcel of * and trammels, bed and bolster.

Appeared before me Johannes Provoost, clerk, etc., and in the presence of the after named witnesses, Jan Classen [*Backer* Van Osanen] husband and guardian of Lysbet Donneur [D'Honneur] widow of Pieter Jacobsen Van Rinsborgh deceased, who acknowledges and declares by these presents, that he has agreed with the administrators of the estate of the aforesaid Pieter Jacobsen Van Rinsborgh, to wit, that he, the subscriber, renounces the said estate, for the sum of three hundred guilders in heavy (*swaert*) money, which he shall receive in merchandise from Mr. Johannes Withart, but from said sum shall be deducted the sum of one hundred guilders in light (*licht*) money, for the *Commies* Johannes La Montagne, to the behoof of the Honorable Company, which was furnished

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[1] J. G. Van Marcken and wife Geertie Huybertse came over in the ship St. Jacob, *Dutch Mss.*, xiv, 116,—received a patent for a lot near Fort Casimir in 1657,—was in New Amstel, 1659, from whence he was banished; farmer of the excise in Beverwyck, 1662; and appointed sheriff of Schenectady 1673, where he resided several years.

[2] A broad side almanac or calendar?

to said Pieter Jacobse Van Rinsborgh on his sick bed; therefore he, the subscriber, acquits said estate of any further claim or pretension, pledging thereto his person and estate personal and real.

Thus done in Fort Orange the 23d of November, Ano: 1663, in presence of Wouter Albertsen [Van den Uythoff] and Arent Van Den Bergh witnesses hereto called.

JAN KLASSEN.

Jan Verbeeck, Administrator,
Evert Wendel, do,
Wouter Albersen,
This is the mark of AB *Arent Van den Bergh,*
with his own hand set.

Acknowledged before me.

Appeared before me Johnnes La Montagne, in the service of etc., and in the presence of the honorable Goosen Gerritse [Van Schaick] and Jan Tomassen, commissaries, etc., the honorable Sander Leendersen Glen, who declares that he has granted and conveyed, as by these presents he does grant and convey, in real and actual possession to and for the behoof of Jurriaen Teunisse [Glasemaecker] his heirs or assigns, two gardens lying together near (*omtrent*) the village of Beverwyck, aforesaid, behind the Heer Rensselaer's house, in the second street next to the hill, bounded to the south by Jan Bastiaense Van Gudsenhoven, and to the north by Goosen Gerritsen [Van Schaick,] each of such magnitude as before this they were by allotment distributed; for which aforesaid two gardens, the said Jurriaen Teunisse, promises to pay the sum of one hundred and seventy-five guilders in seewant: wherefore, the grantor promises to free said two gardens from all actions, claims, or pretensions of all other persons, who may lay claim thereto, pledging therefor his person and estate, personal and real, present and future, nothing excepted, and submitting himself to all laws and judges.

Done in Fort Orange the 28th of December, 1663.

SANDER LENRSEN GLEN.
JUREJAEN TUNSEN.

Goosen Gerretsen.
Jan Thomas.

Acknowledged before me,

LA MONTAGNE, *Commis* at Fort Orange.

Appeared before me Johannes La Montagne, in the service of, etc., and in the presence of the honorable Gerrit Slichtenhorst and Stoffel Janse [Abeel,] commissaries, etc., the honorable Sander Leendersen Glen, who declares that he has granted and conveyed, as by these presents he does grant and convey, in real and actual possession to and for the behoof of Caspar Jacobse [Halenbeck] his heirs, or assigns, a lot for a garden lying in Fort Orange aforesaid, bounded to the west by the lot of Jeremias Van Rensselaer, north by the lot of the grantee (*acceptant,*) length sixteen and a half rods, and breadth three rods eight and a half feet; which lot was conveyed to the grantor by patent of the Heer director general and council of New Netherland, of date the 13th July, A. D.

1658, and therefore, the grantor promises to free the same from all actions, claims, or pretentions, which may hereafter arise, pledging therefor his person and estate, personal and real, present and future, and submitting himself to all law and judges.

Done in Fort Orange, the 29th of December, A. D. 1663.

SANDER LENRSEN GLEN.

Gerrit Slichtenhorst.
Stoffel Janse.

Acknowledged before me,

LA MONTAGNE, *Commis* at Fort Orange.

Appeared before me Johannes Provoost, clerk, etc., and in the presence of the afternamed witnesses, two Mahikander Indians, the one named Panasit, the other Wapto, brothers and owners of the fast land on the east side of Apjen's island extending from the one end of said island to the other, who declare that they have sold, granted, and conveyed, as by these presents they do, in real and actual possession, to and for the behoof of Jan Tomassen and Volkert Janse [Douw,] their heirs or assigns, the aforesaid land on the east bank [of the Hudson river,] extending as above, and further more, running into the woods; for a certain sum in goods, to them paid, which the grantors acknowlege that they have received, and for the aforesaid land are fully paid and satisfied; and therefore renounce said land on said east bank, and promise to free the same from every claim or pretension of the other Indians, who may sinisterly lay claim to the same.

Thus done in the village of Beverwyck, in the presence of Rutger Jacobsen and Doctor (*meester*) Jacob de Hince, as witness hereto called, on the 17th of January, A. D. 1664.

This is the mark 4 of PAENSIT.
with his own hand set.

This is the mark of WAPTO.
with his own hand set.

Rutger Jacobsen.
J. Dehinsse.

Acknowledged before me,

J. PROVOOST, Clerk.

On this the 21st day of February, A. D. 1664, appeared before me Johannes Provoost, clerk, etc., and in the presence of the afternamed witnesses, the honorable Goosen Gerritse [Van Schaick,] commissary of said place, of the one side, and Gerrit Ryersen, his half brother, for his portion, of the other side, who declare, by these presents, that they have made with each other a dissolution and buying out of a certain contract, commenced the 11th of August, A. D. 1662, between their people and Hendrick Coster, in partnership with Gerrit Reyerse, in respect to a certain six thousand guilders, which they, the people of Goosen Gerritse, at their expense have employed to be used the space of two years, conditioned on the payment of interest thereon at ten *per cent*, the

dissolution thereof to be made in manner following: Gerrit Ryerse shall deliver over, by inventory, all such goods and merchandise as he has on hand, and likewise assign, by these presents, for the sake of the above mentioned sum, all the outstanding debts due him with the account book; he shall also collect the outstanding debts, or else on his departure to *Patria*, obtain from the debtors proper obligations and acknowledgements for the debts; and as some beavers are held as a return to Holland and something is to be paid there, Goosen Gerritse shall receive and take to himself the surplus, which comes from Holland in merchandise; wherefore the said Goosen Gerritse, to buy out said Gerrit Reyersen, promises to pay the number of thirty good, whole beaver skins, likewise ninty-nine guilders, which Gerrit Reyersen owes the capital personally, without further claim therefor; together with a hundred and twelve guilders in seewant, and two beavers, by way of moneys disbursed, which Goosen Gerritsen shall also pay to him; for the due performance of which the respective parties pledge below their persons and estates, personal and real.

Thus done without craft or guile, in the presence of Dirk Van Schelluyne and Pieter Van Alen, as witnesses hereto called, on the date as above.

GOOSEN GERRETSEN.
GERRIT REYERSE.

D. V. Schelluyne, 1664.
Pieter Van Alen.

Acknowledged before me,

JOHANNES PROVOOST, Clerk.

25th of March, 1664.

Inventory taken for the second time, of the goods of Jan Gerritse Van Marcken, as he has broken the seal and opened the press and abstracted goods therefrom, which press with some goods therein, is brought to the house of Jochem Wesselse [Backer] for safe keeping, to be hereafter inventoried.

Loose Goods.— 3 earthen platters, with 2 little ditto and a little porcelain cup, 7 pewter platters, 1 pewter mug, and ditto little cup, 8 pewter spoons and 2 copper ditto, 5 earthern plates, 1 white earthern cullender, 2 little red earthern and ditto white cups, 1 copper smoothing iron, 1 copper skimmer, 1 iron trivet, 1 iron chopping knife, 1 pot hanger and 1 ditto hook, 1 wooden spoon-rack (*lepel-bortie*), 1 copper lamp, 1 shot-pouch (*schiet-tas*), 1 little copper kettle, 1 iron pot, 2 pewter wine measures, 1 pewter mustard pot, 1 candle box, 1 white earthern oil pot, 1 little white earthern mug, 1 gridiron and pan, 1 red cullender, 1 red earthern platter, 3 little earthern pots, 1 red wooden bowl, 1 tick-tack board, 1 picture, 1 can rack, 1 round table, 1 gun, 1 case with six bottles, 1 old wooden pail, 3 dusters, a rolling pin and board, 1 bat, 1 wood axe, 1 water pail, 1 bed with bolster and 2 pillows, 3 coverlets which are left in the house of Jan Gerritse for his convenience, 2 green curtains, 2 iron tongs, 15 pewter plates, 1 box with trellice, (*tralien off eetenskasie*).

Brought from the garret.—4 white earthern plates, 1 red earthern stew pan, 5 (say 5) little earthern platters, 10 white earthern mugs and a blue ditto, 5 white earthern mustard pots, 1 ditto oil pot, 3 white earthern salt cellars, 4 little white earthern pots, 4 little earthern pots, 3

little white platters, 1 earthern pot with 8 little rumbling pots[1] therein, 7 earthern pots, little and great, a lantern, 2 market pails, 1 duster, 1 iron pot cover, 1 iron pot hanger, 8 iron door locks, 13 iron scissors, 4 pairs of iron pot hooks, 1 church [foot] stove, 2 latches, 2 iron hammers, with some little rings, 8 great wine glasses, 21 *stroo rissen* with wine glasses, 1 hat case, 1 little basket, 1 iron weight of ten pounds, a parcel of pipes lying loose up garret.

On the first of March, 1664, the press of Jan Gerritse Van Marken was opened and therein were found : 3 pieces of false parchment, 3 *bossen piet*, 2 little square pictures, 8 pocket handkerchiefs, 4 tin spyglasses, 3 rubbing brushes, 2 pocket pistols, 3 little copper rods (*roetiens*), 1 farthingale, 1 pair of little child's stockings, one little child's knitted waist coat, 1 one old green valance, one riding coat, 3 children's *doeckentiens*, 1 green, 2 white, 1 pair of man's grey stockings patched, 1 green valance, 1 red swathing cloth, 1 man's drawers, half red and half white, 1 man's brown suit, 2 silk damask valances, 1 green swathing cloth, a piece of apple blossom cloth, a little black mantel without sleeves, 1 black grogram apron, 1 silk grogram hood, a bundle or roll of very coarse linnen, a woman's stays in a white linnen cloth, 1 *krale* basket, 2 pairs of knit gloves, 1 black and 1 pair gray, 1 ivory tobacco box, 1 pair of woman's shoes, 1 silver frontlet[2] (*silveroorisen*), 2 white linnen aprons, 2 white men's coats, 5 pillows, also 3 pillows, 1 linnen bag, 1 piece of white bombazine, and 1 piece of white woolen, a man's and a woman's shirt, 1 blue checked (*dobbelsteentiens*) valance, 1 woman's black petticoat, 1 white bombazine drawers, (*onderbroeck*), 5 pillows, also 2 ditto small, 1 woman's white underwaist coat, 1 little red garment (*kleetje*), 1 woman's shift, 1 little old black mantel, a woolen cloth in which are found some children's clothes, a cloth with a parcel of seewant, 2 old silk caps, 2 chair cushions, 5 blue aprons, a woman's old bandage [*kebasje*,] 16 books great and little, a little white basket with some trumpery therein, 2 books with maps, a portmanteau, 3 little pictures, 1 great looking-glass, a perpetual almanac, a green coverlet, a little piece of bed tick, 3 table clothes, 18 napkins, little and great, 6 towels and a sash (*gezondheyt*), in a red swathing cloth, a large and small brush, a wooden bowl in which are 11 hoods and caps, 4 night neckkerchiefs, 3 fine neckkerchiefs, 3 rags (*dockjins*) 3 tuckers (*neerstucken*), and 3 *santees*, 1 cane wherein is a rapier blade, 5 pocket handkerchiefs attached to each other, 15 tuckers (*neerstucken*), 2 *santeen*, 2 woman's neckkerchiefs, 2 white aprons, 8 hoods, 1 woman's stiched cap, 1 pocket handkerchief, a signet, a white apron, in which is wrapped a whole parcel of trumpery.

A chest wherein was found, 20 girls and boy's caps and some gloves, 10 wooden flutes (*fluyten*), 1 pair of yellow stockings for a child, 1 pair of man's leather stockings, 3 chair cushions, 1 blue linnen drawers, one woman's old linnen under waistcoat, 1 stuff breeches, 1 scarlet underwaistcoat with silver buttons, 1 man's serge suit, 1 black hat, a cloth with starch, a pilot's *boogh*, and 2 compasses.

On this 12th day of March, A.D. 1664, by these presents, the honorable Abraham Staets on the one side, and Jan Anderiessen the Irishman, of the other side, have contracted and agreed together in the manner

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[1] *Rommelerytiens*, a shrovetide play toy. [2] An ornament for the head.

following, to wit: the aforesaid Abraham Staets leaves to the said Jan Anderiessen, his *bouwery* lying in the Klaverrack, with the land, house, barn, and rick, as it at present stands, for the time of the four and a half next following years, commencing on the first of April of this year, and ending on the first of September, A. D. 1669, with which he delivers six milk cows, two horses, a mare and stallion, and six sows; for which Jan Anderiessen promises to pay rent as follows: for the first half year, he shall at the end of the lease leave in the ground, for the behoof of the lessor, three *mudde*, [about 12 bushels] of wheat, and a tight fence, the year following one hundred guilders, each of the three next years one hundred and fifty guilders in beavers, or grain at beavers price; and promises furthermore, to keep the buildings in good repair; likewise the increase of the aforesaid cattle shall be shared alike by the lessor and lessee, and a slaughtered hog from each of the six sows, yearly; at the end of the lease, the lessee shall be holden to deliver again the full number of beasts; as it respects the orchard, the parties shall receive each the half of the fruit, provided also that they together take care and defray the expense of the fence, but the lessee shall take all possible care that the fruit be not destroyed.

Thus done in Beverwyck, in amity and friendship, and in presence of me, J. Provoost, clerk, *datum ut supra.*

ABRAM STAETS.

This is the mark of JAN ANDERIESSEN, the Irishman, with his own hand set.

Acknowledged before me,
Copy. J. PROVOOST, Clerk.

I, the undersigned, acknowledge that I am indebted to Philip Pieterse Schuyler, in the sum of 50 guilders, Holland money, for my fare, bespoken for my benefit of Skipper Pieter, because I did not pay the same in Holland; and likewise 2 beavers, one lent to me formerly, the other now, with 10 guilders, silver money, which sum I promise to pay him to his content, when I return next year from Holland. In acknowledgment of the truth of which I have subscribed with my own hand. Was signed,

ANTHONY TOINEL.

60 guilders Holland money, and two beavers.
Done the 12th of August, 1662, in Fort Orange in N. Netherlant.

In the name of the Lord Amen, be it known that in the year of our Lord Jesus Christ sixteen hundred and sixty-four, the 19th day of April, appeared before me Johannes La Montagne, in the service of, etc., the honorable Willem Teller, widower of the late Margariet Donckesen, who declares in the presence of the afternamed witnesses, that for God's honor he has contracted a future marriage with Maria Verlet, widow of the late Paulus Schrick, and before the consummation of the same, he, the subscriber, has made up and exhibited for the seven remaining children of Margariet Donckesen (the subscriber's late wife), the sum of three thousand five hundred carolus guilders in beaver's price, exclusive of all debts hitherto made, which he undertakes to pay, to be distributed as follows, to wit: to Anderies Teller aged 22 years, Helena Teller 19 years, Martjen? 16 years, Elysabeth Teller 12 years, Jacob Teller 9 years,

Willem Teller 7 years, and Johannes Teller 5 years, being her matrimonial inheritance, and for the payment of the aforesaid sum, the subscriber offers all his estate personal and real, as a pledge and mortgage; to which end said subscriber appoints, as guardians, the honorable Sander Leendertse Glen[1] and Pieter Loockermans, uncles of said children; in the meantime the subscriber shall remain holden to bring up the aforesaid children, to wit, the minors, in the fear of the Lord, to teach them to read and write; furthermore, to maintain them in food and clothing, until their majority and marriage, without any diminution of their matrimonial [maternal?] estate; all which the subscriber promises to do, without craft or guile, pledging therefor his person and estate, real and personal, present and future.

Thus done in the village of Beverwyck, in the presence of the honorable Evert Wendel and Johannes Provoost, as witnesses hereto called, of date *ut supra.*

WILLEM TELLER.

Evert Janse Wendel, as witness.
Johannes Provoost, witness.

Acknowledged before me,

LA MONTAGNE, *Commis* at Fort Orange.

Conditions upon which the administrators of the estate of Philip Henderickse [Brouwer] propose to sell, at public sale to the highest bidder, the house, brewery and mill house of said Philip Henderickse. Firstly, the buyer shall immediately receive the aforesaid house and brewery, together with a kettle, two tubs and a cooler, with the mill house reserving the mill, also the lot and garden of such size as it lies in fence. Payment shall be made in good whole merchantable beaver skins, in three installments, the first on the 15th of July, of this year 1664, the second one year thereafter, and the third on the 15th of July, 1666. The buyer shall be holden to furnish two sufficient sureties, one for all and each, as principals, immediately, to the content of the seller. If the buyer can not furnish said sureties in said time, then said house, brewery, mill house, lot and garden, shall be again offered for sale at his cost and charge, and whatever less it comes to be worth, he shall be holden to make good, and whatever more it becomes worth he shall receive no profit therefrom. The auction fees become a charge to the buyer payable as above. After publishing the above conditions, Jan Dirckse Van Eps,[2] remained the last bidder of the brewery, for the sum of one thousand one hundred and fifty guilders, for the payment of which, Cornelis Van Nes and Pieter Van Alen, stood as sureties and principals.

Thus done in the village of Beverwyck, on the 29th of April, A.D. 1664.

JAN DIERCKSE VAN EPS.
PIETER VAN ALEN.
CORNELIS VAN NES.
LA MONTAGNE, *Commis* at Fort Orange.

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[1] S. L. Glen married Catalyn Doncassen or Dongan, sister of William Teller's first wife.

[2] Jan Dirkse Van E., was the son of Dirk Van E. and Maritie Damens. He married Elizabeth Janse, and was one of the original proprietors of Schenectady. In the massacre at Schenectady Feb. 9, 1690, he was killed with his two children. From his surviving sons Jan Baptist and Evert, have sprung the families of this name in Schenectady and vicinity.

On this 29th day of April, A. D. 1664, appeared before me, Johannes Provoost, clerk, etc., Hester Douwese [Fonda], assisted by her son, Douwe Gillis [Fonda], and her daughter, Geertien Gillis, on the one side, and Jan Costersen Van Aken of the other side, who declare that they have made a purchase, as follows, to wit: Hester Douwese sells, by these presents, to the aforesaid Jan Van Aken, two distiller's kettles, to be delivered in May, else interest for the money shall be given, which Jan Aken accepts, and promises, in the month of May next, to pay therefor, the sum of four hundred guilders in good strung seewant, which purchase the parties promise to hold fast. Thus done, without craft or guile.

Done in Beverwyck, in presence of Jan Schekel, *datum ut supra.*

HESTER DOUWES.
DOUWE GELLISE.
Jan Scheckel. JAN KOSTER.
JOHANNES PROVOOST, Clerk.

Conditions on which the administrators of the estate of Philip Henderickse [Brouwer] propose to sell at public sale to the highest bidder, the *bouwery*, house, lot, and garden of Philip Henderickse Brouwer aforesaid of Schenhechtade, consisting of a lot of about twenty-five morgens, or so much as shall be allotted to each of the other inhabitants. Firstly, the buyer shall receive the aforesaid *bouwery*, or lot, immediately, and of such size as is above recited, all being broken up land, a part sowed with nine and a half schepels of winter wheat and two and a half schepels of summer wheat; furthermore, the house lot is two hundred feet square, and the garden as it lies in fence, on which is a barn thirty by twenty-four feet, besides the gangway, two ricks, the one of four and the other of five rods [square], a passable cart, a stretcher (*span-touwen*), and an after plough (*achter ploegh*). The payment shall be made in good whole merchantable beaver skins, in three installments, the first on the 15th of July of this year, 1664, the second on the 15th of July, A. D. 1665, and the third or last installment on the 15th of July, 1666. The buyer shall be holden to furnish two sufficient sureties, one for all and each as principals, immediately, to the content of the seller, but if the buyer cannot furnish said sureties in said time, then it shall be offered for sale again at his cost and charge, and whatever less it comes to be worth, he shall be holden to make good, and whatever more it becomes worth, he shall receive no benefit therefrom. The auction fees shall be a charge on the buyer, payable as above. Having offered it for sale, Cornelis Van Nes remained the last bidder for the *bouwery*, for the sum of one thousand two hundred and eighty seven guilders, according to the above standing conditions, for which sum Volkert Janse [Douw] and Jan Dirckse Van Eps stood as sureties and principals, according to the aforesaid conditions.

Done in the village of Beverwyck on the 29th of April, A. D. 1664.

CORNELIS VAN NES.[1]
VOLCKERT JANSE.
JAN DIERCKSE VAN EPS.

Acknowledged before me.

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[1] Cornelis Van Nes's first wife was a daughter of Jan Oothout, by whom he had three sons, Hendrick, Jan and Gerrit. His second wife was Maritie Damens, the mother of Jan Dirkse Van Eps, who afterwards possessed the property described above.

Conditions on which the administrators of the estate of Anderies Herbertsen, together with Cornelis Van Nes, husband and guardian of Maritie Damens, each owning a half, propose to sell at public sale to the highest bidder, a house and lot lying in the village of Beverwyck, bounded northerly by David Schuyler, and south by Wouter the wheelright, according to the patent thereof. Firstly, the buyer shall receive said house and lot immediately, in breadth four rods, and length eight rods, according to the patent. The payment shall be made in good whole merchantable beaver skins, or else seewant at twenty guilders the beaver, in two installments, the first on the first of July of this year, 1664, and the second on the first of July, A. D. 1665. The buyer shall be holden to furnish two sufficient sureties, one for all and each as principals, immediately, to the content of the seller. If the buyer cannot furnish said sureties in said time, then the aforesaid house and lot shall be offered for sale again at his charge and cost, and whatever less it comes to be worth, he shall make good, and whatever more it becomes worth shall be no benefit to him. The auction fees become a charge to the buyer, payable as before. Having offered it for sale on the above conditions, Cornelis Van Nes remained the last bidder, for the sum of two hundred and seventy-two guilders, for which Jan Dirkse Van Eps stood surety as principal.

Done in the village of Beverwyck, on the 29th of April, A. D. 1664.

CORNELIS VAN NES,

Pieter Van Alen. JAN DIERCKSE VAN EPS.

Acknowledged before me.

Conditions on which the administrators of the estate of Philip Henderickse [Brouwer] propose to sell some horses and cattle, together with a horse mill, as it stands, to be paid for on the 15th of July of this year, 1664, in good whole merchantable beaver skins. The auction fees to become a charge to the buyer, payable as above.

Done the 29th of April, A. D. 1664, Beverwyck.

Jan Van Eps, a mare named *Snel* (quick),	*f*	175.00
Idem, also a horse being a gelding, for	*f*	160.00
Idem, also a yearling colt, for	*f*	119.00
Idem, also a cow with a heifer calf,	*f*	119.00
Matteuwes Abrahamse [Vandeusen], a cow,	*f*	118.00
Jan Eps, a heifer of two years,	*f*	84.00
Jacob Tyssen [Vander Heyden], a heifer of a year,	*f*	40.00
Jan Eps, 5 sows,	*f*	77.00
Cornelis Teunise Bos, the running works of a horse mill,	*f*	112.00
	f	1004.00

I, Harmen Harmense Van Gansevoort,[1] offer myself as surety for the person of Jacob Tyssen, for the payment of forty guilders for the purchase of a calf.

HARMEN VAN GANSEVORT.

(Jacob Tyssen has paid forty guilders for the calf.)

[1] H. H. Van G. married Marritie Leendertse Conyn; the baptisms of five of their children are recorded in first church records, between 1683 and 1690, of whom the eldest was Leendert. In 1677, he bought the lot on the south corner of "Cow street," now Broadway, and Maiden lane, of Paulus Martense Van Benthuysen; here he erected a brewery.—*Deeds*, 1, 355.

Cornelis Teunisse Bos, by these presents, declares himself surety and principal for the person of Teuwes Abrahamsen, for the payment of the sum of one hundred and eighteen guilders in beavers, for the purchase of a cow.

Done in Beverwyck, the 29th of April, 1664.

CORNELIS TONISSEN BOS.

Likewise Mateuwes Abrahamsen offers himself as surety for Cornelis Bos, for the payment of one hundred and twelve guilders, for the purchase of a horse mill.

This is the mark M of MATEUWES ABRAHAMSEN, with his own hand set.

I, the undersigned Jan Dirckse Van Eps, am the bidder and buyer of three horses, a cow, a calf, a heifer of two years, and five hogs, amounting to the sum of seven hundred and thirty-four [guilders], for which we, Cornelis Van Nes and Pieter Van Alen, stand as sureties and principals for the payment of said sum, in case of the failure of the buyer.

Done in Beverwyck the 29th of April, A. D. 1664.

JAN DIERCKSE VAN EPS.
CORNELIS VAN NES.
PIETER VAN ALEN.

Appeared before me Johannes Provoost, clerk, etc., Cornelis Teunisse Bos, who declares in presence of the afternamed witnesses, that he has conveyed, as by these presents he does, to Jan Dirckse Van Eps, the horse mill, which he bought at public sale, of the administrators of the estate of Philip Henderickse (and which the grantee accepts), for the same price which he paid for it, amounting to the sum of one hundred and twelve guilders in beavers, to be paid as the conditions specify, renouncing, furthermore, all claims and pretensions which he has therein.

Thus done in Fort Orange, the first of May, A. D. 1664.

CORNELIS THONISSEN BOS.
JAN DIERCKSE VAN EPS.

Acknowledged before me,

J. PROVOOST, Clerk.

Appeared before me, Johannes Provoost, clerk, etc., and in the presence of the afternamed witnesses, Jan Martensen [Wever], who acknowledges that he is well and truly indebted to Harmen Vedder in the sum of two hundred and eighty-six guilders and eleven stuivers in beavers, and thirty-one guilders and five stuivers in seewant, for goods and merchandise to his content received, which beforementioned sum he, the subscriber, promises to pay on the first day of May, A. D. 1665, for which he pledges his person and estate, real and personal, present and future, especially seventeen hogs, which he has on his *bouwery*, and which, in

case of failure of payment, shall be turned over, according to their value, to said Harman Vedder, in preference of any one else, as an offset to said sums.

Thus done in the village of Beverwyck, on the first of May, A. D. 1664, in presence of Barent Reyndersen and Jan Byvanck as witnesses.

This is the mark + JAN MARTENSEN,
with his own hand set.

Barent Reynders.
Jan Byvanck.

Acknowledged before me,

JOHANNES PROVOOST, Clerk.

Appeared before me Johannes Provoost, clerk, etc., and in presence of the afternamed witnesses, Jan Martensen [Wever,] who declares that he has appointed and empowered, as by these presents does, Harmen Vedder, in his name and for his sake, to demand, collect, and receive, of diverse persons, as well in the village of Wiltwyck, as here in Beverwyck, the following moneys to him, the subscriber owing, to wit: of Jan Van Aemsfort six schepels of wheat, eighteen guilders; from Cornelis Slecht fifty-four guilders in wheat; from Geertruy Haps *f.* 40, four in wheat; Henderick Jansen, *alias* Ribbide sixty-one guilder in beavers; Aert Otterspoor forty-five guilders in beavers; Poulus de Noorman twenty-eight guilders; from Jurriaen Westvael, according to obligation, one hundred and forty-one guilders in wheat; for the receipts acquittance to pass, and in case of unwillingness, payment to exact by law and rigor of justice, to which end all terms of the laws to observe, to definitive sentence and extreme execution, and to proceed by arrest against persons and estates, furthermore, to do and act as the subscriber being present might, or could do, provided that the attorney be holden to give a proper statement to him of his transactions and receipts, but shall keep for himself the previously received sum of two hundred and eighty-six guilders and eleven stuivers in beavers, and thirty-one guilders and five stuivers in seewant, for the payment of an obligation made on this date.

Thus done in Beverwyck, on the first of May, A. D. 1664, in the presence of Jan Henderickse, and Jan Janse Bleecker as witnesses.

This is the mark + of JAN MARTENSEN,
with his own hand set.

This is the mark IH *of Jan Henderickse, with his own hand set.*
Jan Jansen Bleecker.

Acknowledged before me,

J. PROVOOST, Clerk.

Conditions on which Adrian Gerritse [Papendorp,] attorney for Dirck Janse Kroon, proposes to sell at public sale to the highest bidder, some furniture and household goods, to said Kroon belonging; for which payment must be made in good, whole merchantable beaver skins, in the time of one month from this date; and whatever is other than beaver, the buyer shall pay at twenty-two guilders the beaver. Who ever buys more than one lot (*perceel*), the sum for each shall be reckoned up, and be reduced to whole beavers. The buyer shall also be holden to furnish sufficient sureties, immediately, for the purchase money.

The auction fees become a charge to the buyer payable as above, (one bed for 140 guilders retained).

Gerrit Slichtenhorst, a lantern,	*f*	3.05
Jochem Wesselse [Backer], a tin (*blickse*) cullender,	*f*	4.00
Philip Pieterse [Schuyler], a great tin pail,	*f*	5.00
Mr. Jan Leck, a pewter mug and salt cellar,	*f*	7 05
Mr. Jacob [D'Hinsse], a pewter tankard,	*f*	4.05
Adriaen Gerritsen [Papendorp], a pewter chamber pot,	*f*	5.00
Jurrian Teunissen [Glasemaker] a tin sugar box,	*f*	3.00
Idem, a pewter cullender,	*f*	5.05
Philip Pieterse a copper mortar,	*f*	8.15
Adriaen Gerritse, 2 pewter platters,	*f*	7.15
Idem, a copper chafing dish,	*f*	7.10
J. Provoost, 2 pewter platters,	*f*	7.00
Adriaen Gerritse, a little oil pot,	*f*	3.05
Philip Pieterse, a funnel, a great copper spoon,	*f*	5.00
J. Provoost, 2 copper candlesticks,	*f*	8.00
Stoffel Janse [Abeel], 2 copper snuffers,	*f*	2.08
Adrien Gerrit, a pewter platter,	*f*	4.10
Henderick Rosenboom, a copper stewpan,	*f*	15.15
Jan Van Aken, an iron candlestick,	*f*	2.05
Gysbert the tailor, a hand candlestick,	*f*	1.10
Stoffel Janse, an iron candlestick,	*f*	1.00
Isaac DeHaen, a pewter beaker gilt,	*f*	2.15
Philip Pieterse, a do	*f*	2.15
Isaack De Haen, a hand candlestick,	*f*	1.00
Jan Clute, an iron pepper mill,	*f*	3.00
Henderick Rosenboom, an iron chaffing dish,	*f*	3.00
Jan Vinhagel, 2 little pewter platters,	*f*	2.00
Philip Piterse, a pewter mug,	*f*	3.10
Willem Brouwer, a pewter beaker,	*f*	2.15
Volckert Janse [Douw], a pewter pint measure,	*f*	2.10
Idem, 2 little pewter platters,	*f*	2.10
Philip Pieterse, 2 little pewter cups,	*f*	2.00
Adriaen Gerritsen, a pewter pint measure,	*f*	2.10
Gerrit Slichtenhorst, a skimmer,	*f*	3.15
Adriaen Gerritse, a mustard pot,	*f*	1.10
Idem, a little copper pan,	*f*	5.00
Jan Clute, a pewter mug,	*f*	5.00
Slichtenhorst, a little pewter beaker,	*f*	1.00
Volckert Janse, a do.	*f*	1.00
J. Provoost, a pewter salt cellar,	*f*	1.15
Adriaen Gerritse, 6 pewter plates,	*f*	7.00
Johannes Provoost, a pewter platter,	*f*	5.10
Idem, 2 andirons,	*f*	7.10
Jan Hendericksc Bruyn, 6 pewter spoons,	*f*	2.05
Isaack De Haen, a tin powder box,	*f*	2.10
Gysbert the tailor, a chopping knife,	*f*	2.10
C. Bogardus, a lamp and candlestick,	*f*	3.00
Henderick Rosenboom, a chain pot hanger,	*f*	4.05
Volckert Janse, an iron tongs,	*f*	2.05
Carried forward,	*f*	89.05

Brought forward,	*f*	89.05
Adriaen Gerritsen, a frying pan,	*f*	2.15
Jan Van Aken, an iron do.,	*f*	1.10
Adriaen Gerritse, a pot hanger,	*f*	6.00
Jan Van Aken, a looking glass,	*f*	10.00
Barent the smith, 2 copper cocks,	*f*	2.15
Dr. Jacob [D'Hinsse], 4 pictures,	*f*	31.00
Robbert, 2 little pictures,	*f*	8.05
Jurriaen Teunisse, 2 do.,	*f*	6.05
Cornelis Bogardus, a *bort* almanac,	*f*	3.10
Rosenboom, a do.,	*f*	2.00
Jan Bastiaense [Van Gutsenhoven], 3 little pictures,	*f*	3.00
Dr. Adriaen, 3 do.,	*f*	4.05
Dr. Adriaen, also 3 pictures,	*f*	4.50
Wouter the Wheelwright, 3 ditto,	*f*	3.10
Dr. Adriaen, 3 ditto,	*f*	2.05
Rosenboom, 3 ditto,	*f*	2.05
Idem, 3 ditto,	*f*	1.15
Robbert Sandersen,[1] 3 ditto,	*f*	1.15
J. Provoost, 2 curtains and a valance,	*f*	20.10
Gerrit Lansingh, 2 curtains,	*f*	11.05
Adriaen Gerritse, a coverlet,	*f*	13.05
Jan Bastiaense, 3 little earthern platters,	*f*	3.00
Jurriaen Teunisse, 3 ditto,	*f*	1.10
Rosenboom, 3 ditto,	*f*	1.10
C. Bogardus, 3 ditto,	*f*	1.15
Jurriaen Teunisse, 2 ditto,	*f*	2.05
Rosenboom, 2 ditto,	*f*	2.00
Dirck Wesselse [Ten Broeck], 2 little pictures,	*f*	5.00
Rosenboom, 2 ditto,	*f*	3.10
Poulus Martense [Van Benthuysen], 2 ditto,	*f*	3.15
Adriaen Gerritsen, a brush,	*f*	2.05
Jacob Schermerhoorn, 2 chair cushions,	*f*	6.00
Adriaen Gerritsen, 2 sheets,	*f*	14.00
Antony Janse, 2 ditto,	*f*	8.00
Jan Hendr. Bruyn, 2 ditto,	*f*	8.00
Rosenboom, *hele* and an old pillow bier,	*f*	5.00
Volckert Janse, 1 wooden bowl and 7 or 8 wooden plates,	*f*	1.00
Goosen Gerritse, a duster,	*f*	1.10
Poulus Martense, 3 little pictures,	*f*	2.10
Barent the smith 3 ditto,	*f*	2.15
Goosen Gerritse, 1 great chest,	*f*	11.00
Jan Janse Ouderkerck, 3 chairs,	*f*	4.00
	f	427.05

[1] Robert Sanders son of Thomas S. of Amsterdam, and Sarah Van Gorcum, was baptized in New Amsterdam, 10 Nov. 1641. He came to Albany with his father before 1654; by his wife Elsie Barentse he had one son Barent and three daughters. In 1697 he was a merchant in New York, and admitted freeman in 1698.

On this 14 day of May A.D. 1664, appeared before me Johannes La Montagne in the service, of etc., in the presence of the honorable Jan Hendrickse Van Bael and Jan Costersen Van Aken, commissaries etc., the following Indians, named Queskimiet, son of Pacies, Aepie, Wickepe, Kleyn Davidtie [Little David], who testify and declare, at the request of Jan Tomasse and Volckert Janse [Douw] as follows; translated by Jan Dareth. First, they say that eighteen years ago, Jacob Janse Flodder bought the Gojers kil, but no land with it, only a little piece north of said kil, which was granted him to make a garden, for the hire of which, these deponents, the owners of the same, have received only a piece of cloth. The deponents being asked if Jacob Janse Flodder had bought some land at Schotack, thereupon answered unanimously, No, but that he only had a small piece of land that they rented to him to sow oats upon, furthermore, that he had a rick there to house his grain in for the winter, but that he never had any ownership therein. Again the deponent being asked who are the lawful owners of Schotack and of the fast bank extending the whole length of the island, declared that Jan Tomasse and Volckert Janse [Douw] are the lawful owners, who bought and paid for the same, and nobody else. They declare likewise, according to the conveyance of Wattawit, of date the 4th of October, A.D. 1663, that the land on the fast bank (*vaste wal*) where the house of Machack Notas stood, was justly owned by Wattawit, all of which aforesaid facts they declare were stated yesterday the 13th of this month, at the house of the Heer Rensselaer, in presence of the interpreter, Jan Dareth and Marten Gerritse [Van Bergen].

Thus Done in Fort Orange, the 14th of May, A.D. 1664.

This is the mark of QUESKIMIET
with his own hand set.

This is the mark of AEPJE,
with his own hand set

This is the mark of WICKEPE,
with his own hand set.

This is the mark of DAVIDIE.
with his own hand set.

In acknowledgment of the truth this is subscribed by us the above mentioned commissaries.

J. H. Van Bael.
Jan Koster.
Jan Dareth.

LA MONTAGNE, *Commis* at Fort Orange.

Appeared before me, Johannes La Montagne, in the service of, etc., Volckert Janse [Douw] and Jan Tomassen, who declare by way of complaint, that on the 12th of this month, the Heer Renselaer with the *Schout* Swart and the Secretary Schelluyne were upon the island Schotack, and there forbade Jan Martensen [Wever], the subscriber's tenant, to proceed farther with the plowing and sowing, on account of which prohibition the tenant was afraid to proceed with the tillage. So it is that the subscribers free said tenant, Jan Martensen, from all harm which

might come upon him by reason of said prohibition with respect to the tillage of the land, which is done without producing offence, except to complain to the officer and the subscribers in regard to the violence that may be done him.

Done in Fort Orange 15th May, A.D. 1664.

VOLCKERT JANSE,
JAN THOMAS.
LA MONTAGNE, *Commis* at Fort Orange.

Appeared before me Johannes La Montagne, in the service of, etc., in the presence of the honorable Jan Verbeeck and Gerrit Slichtenhorst, commissaries of the same jurisdiction, Pieter Janssen the boor (*de Boer*) who acknowledged and declared by these presents that he is well, truly, and honestly indebted to Mr. Pieter Ryverdingh, in the sum of eighty guilders Holland money, for goods and merchandise to his content received, which aforesaid sum of eighty guilders Holland money, the subscriber promises to pay on the first of July, A.D. 1665, to said Ryverdingh or his attorney Adriaen Janssen V. Leyden; and in case said subscriber, Pieter Janssen fails, he promises to pay interest on the same at 12 *per cent* to begin from this date; for which he pledges his person and estate, personal and real, present and future, specially mortgaging his house and lot lying in the village of Beverwyck next to Claes Vylspie and Lambert Van Valckenborgh, to secure the payment of said sum, if need be, without cost and loss.

Done in Fort Orange, the 10th of June, A.D. 1664.

This is the mark + of PIETER JANSSEN DE BOER.
with his own hand set.

Gerrit Slichtenhorst,
Jan Verbeeck.

Acknowledged before me,

LA MONTAGNE, Clerk, at Fort Orange.

Appeared before me Johannes La Montagne, in the service of, etc., in the presence of the honorable Jan Hendricksen Van Baelen and Jan Van Aken commissaries, etc., Jacus Cornelis [Van Slyck] [1] dwelling at Schonechtede, who declared and acknowledged that he is well, truly and honestly indebted to Sweerus Teunise [Van Velsen], in the sum of six hundred and ninety-three guilders in beavers, for goods and sundries to his content received; which aforesaid sum he, Jacus Cornelisse, promises to pay in the year of our Lord 1668, in the month of May; for the payment of said sum, pledging his person and estate, real and personal, more especially mortgaging the Island lying at Schonechtede named *Marten's island*, renouncing all exceptions which might militate against this obligation.

Done in Fort Orange, the 3d July, A.D. 1664.

The mark of, ACKES, JACUS CORNELISSEN.

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[1] Jaques Cornelise Van Slyck, *alias* Gautsh, *alias* Itsychosaquachka, was one of the three children of Cornelis Antonissen V. S. *alias* Broer Cornelis and a Mohawk woman; Jaques had a brother Marten, who gave name to the great Island lying west of Schenectady, and a sister Hilletie, who was a well known interpretress and married Pieter Danielse Van Olinda; she is the person in whom Messrs. Dankers and Sluyter took such interest during their visit to Schenectady in 1680. See their Journal, page 301, etc.

Appeared before me Johannes La Montagne, in the service of, etc., in the presence of the honorable Jan Verbeeck and Jacob Schermerhoorn commissaries, etc., Jan Van Eeckelen,[1] who acknowledged and declared that he is, well, truly and honestly indebted to Cornelis Teunisse Bos, trustee for the estate of Cornelis Maersen, in the number of thirty-two and a half beavers, growing out of an assignment of a debt due by Albert Gerritse to said estate; which aforesaid number of thirty-two and a half beavers he (*comparant*) by agreement made with said trustee promises to pay within the time of three years from this date with interest at the rate of ten *per cent*, to commence from the 6th of August next coming; for which the subscriber pledges his person and estate, personal and real, present and future, specially mortgaging and pledging his house and lot lying in the village of Beverwyck, bounded north by Jan Dareth and south by Pieter Loockermans, to secure the payment of the aforesaid number of thirty-two and a half beavers, if need be, without loss and cost.

Done in Fort Orange, the 7th of July, A.D. 1664.

JAN JANSEN VAN EECKEL.

Jan Verbeeck.
Jacob Schermerhooren.

Acknowledged before me,

LA MONTAGNE, Clerk at Fort Orange.

Appeared before me Johannes La Montagne, in the service of, etc., in the presence of Gerrit Slichtenhorst and Stoffel Janssen [Abeel] commissioners, etc., Francoys Boon, old commissary of the aforesaid place, who declared that he had granted and transferred, as by these presents he does grant and transfer, in real and actual possession to and for the behoof of Jochim Wesselse Backer, his heirs or assigns, a house and lot lying in the village of Beverwyck bounded east, west and south by the highway, and north by the house of Gillis Pieterse [Timmerman] as large as it lies enclosed in fence, with all the right and title which the grantor has had therein, by virtue of a conveyance to him given by Stoffel Janssen Abeel of date the 15th of August A.D. 1659, and the grantor at the same time acknowledges that he is paid and satisfied for the sale of the same, and therefore promises the aforesaid house and lot to free from all claims, actions, and pretensions, which may arise save the lord's right, pledging therefor his person and estate, personal and real, present and future, submitting himself to all laws and judges.

Done in Fort Orange the 17th of July, A.D. 1664.

FRANCOYS BOON.

Gerrit Slichtenhorst.
Stoffel Janse Abeel.

Acknowledged before me.

LA MONTAGNE, Clerk at Fort Orange.

Appeared before me Johannes Provoost, clerk, etc., and in the presence of the afternamed witnesses, Rutger Jacobsen, who declares by these presents that he has sold, granted and transferred to Jacob Hevick, his portion of the grain, which stands upon the seller's island, being the

[1] A Johannes Van Eeckelen, perhaps the above, was a schoolmaster in Flatbush in 1691; the minister and elder of the church desired his removal from office because he had been an active partizan of Leisler.—*English Manuscripts.*

fourth part thereof, for the number of five and thirty good whole merchantable beaver skins, which the aforesaid Jacob Hevick promises to pay to said Rut Jacobsen by an abatement on the mortgage, which the said Hevick holds upon the seller's island; furthermore, the seller makes over said grain and, by these presents, gives the buyer authority to harvest the same without any let or hindrance from any one from whom he also promises to protect him.

Thus done without craft or guile, in Fort Orange, in the presence of Claes Jacobsen, and Sacharias Sickels, as witnesses hereto invited, on this 16th July, A.D. 1664.

RUTGER JACOB.

This is the mark χ of JACOB HEVICK.

with his own hand set.

Claes Jacobse.
Sacharias Seckels.

Appeared before me Johannes La Montagne, in the service of, etc., in the presence of honorable Jan Verbeeck and Gerrit Slichtenhorst magistrates etc., the honorable Francoys Boon old commissary of said place, who declares that he has granted and transferred, as by these presents he does grant and transfer, in real and actual possession to and for the behoof of Jurriaen Teunisse [Glasemaker] his heirs or assigns, a garden lying in the village of Beverwyck behind Fort Orange, adjoining to the west and north the highway, of such magnitude as it lies enclosed in fence with all the right and title which the grantor has had therein, and acknowledges that he is fully paid and satisfied for the purchase, and therefore pledges his person and estate, real and personal, present and future, submitting himself to all laws and judges.

Done in Fort Orange the 16th of July, A.D. 1664.

FRANCOYS BOON.[1]

Gerrit Slichtenhorst.
Jan Verbeeck.

Acknowledged before me,

LA MONTAGNE, Clerk in Fort Orange.

Appeared before me Johannes La Montagne, in the service of, etc., in the presence of honorable Jan Hendrickse Van Bael and Jan Coster Van Aken, magistrates of the same jurisdiction, Jan Roeloffsen [De Goyer], inhabitant of said village, who declares that he has granted and transferred, as by these presents he does grant and transfer in real and actual possession to and for the behoof of William Brouwer his heirs and assigns, a garden lying in the village of Beverwyck, hard by Fort Orange, adjoining on the rear of Heer Renselaer's lot, to the south of the heirs of Annetien Bogardus, to the east of the road, and to the north of Abraham Staets, length seven rods, and breadth five rods, which lot was granted, by the Heer director general and council of New Netherland, by patent of date the 25th of October 1653, to Albert Gerritsen, from whom the grantor received the same by conveyance of date the 4th of July A.D. 1658, and the grantor acknowledges that he is fully paid and satisfied

[1] See Valentine's *History of New York*, p. 99.

for the purchase, promising said garden to free from all actions, claims or pretensions, which hereafter may arise, therefor pledging his person and estate, personal and real, present and future, placing himself in subjection to all laws and judges.

Done in Fort Orange the 24th of July A.D. 1664.

JAN ROELOFFSE.

Jan Koster.

Acknowledged before me.

LA MONTAGNE, Clerk at Fort Orange.

Appeared before me Johannes La Montagne, in the service of, etc., in the presence of the honorable Jan Verbeeck and Stoffel Janssen Abeel magistrates, etc., Willem Brouwer, inhabitant of said village, who declares, by virtue of a conveyance to him, the grantor, given of this date, by Jan Roeloffsen, that he has again granted, transferred, and made over, as by these presents he does grant and transfer in real and actual possession to and for the behoof of Capt. Abraham Staets old commissary of said place, his heirs or assigns, a garden lying in the village of Beverwyck hard by Fort Orange, adjoining on the rear of Heer Renselaer's lot, to the south of the heirs of Annetie Bogardus, to the east of the road, and to the north of the grantee, length seven rods and breadth five rods, which garden was granted to Albert Gerritsen by patent, by Heer director general and council of New Netherland, of date the 25th of October, A.D. 1653; and the grantor acknowledges that he is paid and satisfied for the purchase and delivery of the same, and promises to free the aforesaid garden from every action, claim or pretension, which may hereafter arise, therefor pledging his person and estate, personal and real, present and future, submitting himself to all laws and judges.

Done in Fort Orange, the 24th of July, 1664.

WILLEM BROUWER.

Jan Verbeeck.
Stoffel Janse.

Acknowledged before me,

LA MONTAGNE, Clerk at Fort Orange.

Appeared before me Johannes Provoost, clerk, etc., the Honorable Nicolaes Gouverneur, substitute for the honorable Cornelis Steenwyck,[1] attorney for Barent Van Marle, of the first part, and Jan Hendrickse Bruyn of the second part, who declare in presence of the afternamed witnesses, that they have agreed and contracted about the purchase of the house and lot of Barent Van Marle deceased, lying in the village of Beverwyck in the manner following: — Firstly, said Claes Gouverneur sells to said Jan Hendrickse Bruyn the house and lot of said Van Marle deceased, by virtue of a power of attorney (*procuratie*), of such magnitude and bounds as said Barent Van Marle purchased it from Cornelis Vos, according to conveyance of date the 30th of July, A.D. 1661, and shall deliver said house and lot within fourteen days from date free and unincumbered save the lord's right; for which Jan Hendrickse Bruyn promises, on delivery,

[1] See Valentine's *History of New York*, 121.

to pay in one sum the number of sixty good whole merchantable beaver skins and fourteen half beavers, and no more; and on said payment a proper conveyance shall be given to the buyer.

Thus done in presence of Gerrit Swart and Jacob De Hince, without craft or guile, in Fort Orange, the 14th of August, A.D. 1664.

CLAES GOUVERNEUR.
JAN HENDRICKSE BRUYN.

G. Swart.
J. De Hinsse.

Acknowledged before me,

J. PROVOOST, Clerk.

Appeared before me Johannes La Montagne, in the service of, etc., in the presence of the honorable Jan Verbeeck and Stoffel Janssen [Abeel] commissaries etc., the honorable Sander Leendersen Glen old commissary who declares that he has sold, granted and transferred, as by these presents he does in real and actual possession to and for the behoof of the honorable Jan Hendrickse Van Bael commissary etc., his heirs or assigns, a house and lot lying in the village of Beverwyck on the Hill, adjoining to the north Jan Tomassen, to the south Hendrick Kuyler, east and west the highway, of such magnitude as it is enclosed in fence, which lot the grantor bought at public sale of the Heeren commissaries under an execution made on the person of Marten Gerritse [Van Bergen]; and the grantor acknowledges that he is fully paid and satisfied for the purchase and delivery of the same, with the sum of eight hundred and seventy-six guilders in beavers; therefore he promises to free the aforesaid house and lot from all actions, claims, or pretensions, which may hereafter arise, excepting only the lord's right, pledging his person and estate, personal and real, present and future, and submitting himself to all laws and judges.

Done in Fort Orange the 18th of August, 1664.

SANDER LENRSEN GLEN.

Stoffel Janse Abeel.
Jan Verbeeck.

Acknowledged before me,

LA MONTAGNE, Clerk at Fort Orange.

Appeared before me Johannes La Montagne, in the service of, etc., in the presence of honorable Gerrit Slichtenhorst and Jan Hendrickse Van Bael commissaries etc., Jan Franeen Van Hoesem, inhabitant of said village, who acknowledges and declares, by these presents, that he is well, truly and honestly indebted to Mr. Nicolaes Meyer, alderman and merchant at Amsterdam in New Netherland, in the sum of one thousand three hundred and forty-six carolus guilders and eleven stuivers in good whole merchantable beaver skins, growing out of goods and merchandise delivered, together with moneys loaned according to an honest statement thereof received, which aforesaid sum of one thousand three hundred and forty-six guilders and eleven stuivers, the subscriber promises to pay in two installments, the first of which shall be on the first day of August, A.D. 1665, the just half; and the other half on the first of July, 1666, with interest on the same at ten *per cent*, beginning from this date and continuing until the full payment of the same, but the interest is to con-

tinue no longer than the mortgagee (*acceptant*) shall please, for which said Jan Francen Van Hoesen pledges his person and estate, personal and real, present and future, specially mortgaging and hypothecating both his houses, with the lot and garden behind the same as they stand, situated in the village of Beverwyck, adjoining to the north of Jochem Wesselse [Backer], and said Meyer shall likewise draw and use the house rent of the mortgageor's house where Cornelis Van Dyck dwells; likewise his, the mortgageor's Bouwery and lands lying in the Claverrack, to secure the payment if necessary, of said sum without cost and loss.

Thus done in Fort Orange the 26th of August, A.D. 1664.

This is the mark of JAN FRANCEN VAN HOESEM,
with his own hand set.

Gerrit Slichtenhorst.
J. H. Van Bael.

Acknowledged before me,

LA MONTAGNE, Clerk at Fort Orange.

Appeared before me Johannes La Montagne, in the service of, etc., in the presence of honorable Stoffel Janse Abeel and Jan Hendrickse Van Bael commissaries, etc., Mr. Claes Gouverneur, trustee for the estate of Barent Van Marle, who declares that he has granted and transferred, as by these presents he does grant and transfer, in real and actual possession to and for the behoof of Jan Hendrickse Bruyn, his heirs or assigns, a house and lot lying in the village of Beverwyck, adjoining to the south the street, to the north the kil, to the east the grantee (*acceptant*), and to the west Juriaen Teunisse [Glasemacker,] full length nine rods, breadth in the rear on the kil, seventeen feet and a half, in front as broad as the house, with an alley on the east side of the house, three and a half feet wide; which lot is a part of the patent granted by the Heer director general and council of New Netherland, to Cornelis Vos; and the grantor acknowledges that he is fully paid and satisfied for the purchase and delivery of the same, whereof the Heer Jeremias Van Renselaer has received the sum of three hundred and ninety-six guilders in beavers, which was due to him by virtue of a mortgage upon said house and lot, and the grantor promises to free said house and lot from all actions, claims or pretensions, which may hereafter arise, pledging his person and estate, personal and real, present and future, nothing excepted, submitting himself to all laws and judges.

Thus done in Fort Orange, the 28th of August, A.D. 1664.

CLAES GOUVERNEUR.

Stoffel Janse Abeel.
J. H. Van Bael.

Acknowledged before me,

LA MONTAGNE, Clerk at Fort Orange.

Appeared before me Johannes Provoost, clerk, etc., in the presence of honorable Stoffel Janse and Jan Hendrickse Van Bael, commissaries, etc., the Heer Jeremias Van Renselaer, who acknowledges by these presents, that he has received from Mr. Claes Gouverneur, trustee of Barent Van Marle deceased, the sum of three hundred and ninety-six guilders in beavers, payment, in part, for a mortgage which he holds upon the second install-

ment due on the house of Cornelis Vos, which the aforesaid Barent Van Marle bought, and said Renselaer promises said Gouverneur in his office of trustee as his successor, to free the same from all actions, claims, or pretensions, which may hereafter arise

Done in Fort Orange the 28th of August, A.D. 1664.

JEREMIAS VAN RENSSELAER.

Stoffel Janse Abeel.
J. H. Van Bael.

Appeared before me Johannes La Montagne, in the service of, etc., in the presence of the honorable Jan Hendrickse Van Bael and Jan Coster Van Aken, commissaries, etc., Pieter Adriaense [Soogemackelyck,][1] inhabitant of Schanhectade, who declares that he has granted and transferred, as by these presents he does grant and transfer, in real and actual possession to and for the behoof of the honorable Philip Pieterse Schuyler, his heirs or assigns, a house and lot lying in the village of Beverwyck, adjoining to the north Adriaen Appel and to the south Jan Barentse Poest, deceased, to the west the street, length ten rods and breadth four rods; which lot was granted to said grantor, by the Heer director general and council of New Netherland of date A.D. 16—; he, the grantor, acknowledging that he is fully paid and satisfied for the purchase and delivery of the same and therefore promises to free the same from all actions, claims, or pretensions, which may hereafter arise, pledging his person and estate, personal and real, present and future, and submitting himself to all laws and judges.

Done in Fort Orange, the 11th of September, A.D. 1664.

PIETER ADRIAENSE.

J. H. Van Bael.
Jan Koster.

Acknowledged before me,

LA MONTAGNE, Clerk at Fort Orange.

Appeared before me Johannes La Montagne, in the service of, etc., in the presence of the honorable Jan Verbeeck and Stoffel Jansen commissaries, etc., Tomas Poulus [Powell], inhabitant of said village, who acknowledges and declares, by these presents, that he is well, truly, and honestly, indebted to the honorable Jan Koster Van Aken, in the number of twelve pieces of good whole merchantable beaver skins, for goods and merchandise to his content received, and promises the aforesaid twelve beavers to pay on the first of May, A.D. 1665, and failing of said payment, he shall be holden to pay proper interest; for which the mortgageor pledges his person and estate, real and personal, present and future, and specially mortgages his house and lot lying in the village of Beverwyck, on the west side of the street, right against Jan Labatie's, to secure the payment of said twelve beavers, if need be, without loss or cost.

Done in Fort Orange, the 15th of September, A.D. 1664.

THOMAS POWELL.

Jan Verbeeck.
Stoffel Janse Abeel.

Acknowledged before me,

LA MONTAGNE, Clerk at Fort Orange.

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[1] Sometimes called Van Woggelum.

Appeared before me Johannes La Montagne, in the service of, etc., in the presence of the honorable Jan Hendrickse Van Bael and Jan Koster Van Aken, commissaries of the same jurisdiction, Reyer Albert, inhabitant of said village, who declares that he has granted and transferred, as by these presents he does grant and transfer, in real and actual possession to and for the behoof of Heer Johannes Baptist Van Rensselaer and Goosen Gerritse [Van Schaick], old commissaries of this place, their heirs or assigns, a house and lot lying in the village of Beverwyck aforesaid, on the third (*Vossen*) kil, adjoining to the north and west the grantor, and to the south and east the highway, length six rods and breadth four rods; which lot is a part of the patent to him, the grantor, given by the Heer director general and council of New Netherland, of date the 25th of October, A.D. 1653, and the grantor acknowledges that he is fully paid and satisfied for the purchase and delivery of the same, and therefore promises the aforesaid house and lot to free from all actions, claims, or pretensions, which may arise, pledging therefor his person and estate, personal and real, present and future, and subjecting himself to the force of all laws and judges.

Done in Fort Orange, the 15th of September, A.D. 1664.

This is the mark of Reyer Albertsen.

Jan Koster.
J. H. Van Bael.

Acknowledged before me,

La Montagne, Clerk at Fort Orange.

Appeared before me Johannes La Montagne, in the service of, etc., in the presence of the honorable Jan Verbeeck and Jan Koster Van Aken commissaries, etc., the Heer Jeremias Van Rensselaer empowered by his brother Johan Baptist Van Rensselaer, who declares, by virtue of a conveyance of this date given to him, the grantor, and Goosen Gerritse [Van Schaick] by Reyer Albertse, that he has again granted and transferred, as by these presents, he does grant and transfer, in real and actual possession to and for the behoof of said Goosen Gerritse his heirs or assigns, his portion of the house and lot (being one half of the same), which he with the grantee in company have bought, lying in the village of Beverwyck on the third [*Vossen*] kil, adjoining to the north and west the said Reyer Albertse, to the south and east the highway, whole length six rods and breadth four rods; and the grantor acknowledges that he is fully paid and satisfied for the purchase and delivery of the same, and therefore promises to free the same from all actions, claims, or pretensions, which may hereafter arise (save the lord's right), pledging his person and estate, personal and real, present and future, and putting himself under the authority of all laws and judges.

Done in Fort Orange, the 15th of September, A.D. 1664.

Jeremias Van Rensselaer.

Jan Koster.
Jan Verbeeck.

Acknowledged before me,

La Montagne, Clerk at Fort Orange.

Appeared before me Johannes La Montagne, in the service of, etc., in the presence of the honorable Jan Verbeeck and Jan Koster Van Acken commissaries etc., the honorable Goosen Gerritse [Van Schaick] old commissary, who declares that he has granted and transferred, as by these presents he does grant and transfer, in actual and real possession to and for the behoof of Hendrick Koster his heirs or assigns, a house and lot lying in the village of Beverwyck on the hill, adjoining to the north Henderick Rosenboom, to the south the widow[1] of Henderick Anderisse [Van Doesburgh], east and west the highway, is in breadth five rods and length twenty rods, according to the patent thereof granted, by the Heer director general and council of New Netherland, to Lourens Lourense of date the 25th of October, 1653; and the grantor acknowledges that he is fully paid and satisfied for the purchase and delivery of the same, and therefore promises said house and lot to free from all claims, actions, or pretensions which may hereafter arise, (saving only the lord's right) under a pledge of his person and estate, real and personal, present and future, submitting himself to all laws and judges.

Done in Fort Orange the 15th of September, A.D. 1664.

GOOSEN GERRITSE.

Jan Verbeeck.
Jan Koster.

Acknowledged before me,

LA MONTAGNE, Clerk at Fort Orange.

Appeared before me Johannes La Montagne, in the service of, etc., in the presence of the honorable Jan Verbeeck and Jan Koster Van Aken commissaries, etc., Marcelus Janssen [Van Bommel], inhabitant of the colony Rensselaerswyck, who declares that he has granted and transferred as by these presents, he does grant and transfer, in real and actual possession to and for the behoof of Asser Levy, merchant of Amsterdam in New Netherland, his heirs or assigns, a house and lot lying in the village of Beverwyck aforesaid on the hill, adjoining to the north Gerrit Slichtenhorst, to the south the lot of Claes Ripse, [Van Dam], east and west the highway, length according to the patent twenty-one and a half rods, and breadth six rods, except thirty feet in breadth taken off for the behoof of said Claes Ripse [Van Dam], which patent was granted to Goosen Gerritse [Van Schaick], by the Heer director general and council of New Netherland of date the 25th of October, A.D. 1653. from whom the grantor (*transportant*) received a conveyance; and the grantor (*cedant*) acknowledges that he is fully paid and satisfied for the purchase and delivery of the same, and therefore promises said house and lot to free from all actions, claims, or pretensions, which may hereafter arise (excepting the lord's right), pledging his person and estate, personal and real, and submitting himself to the force of all laws and judges.

Done in Fort Orange the 15th of September, A.D. 1664.

MAERCELYS JANSSEN.

Jan Verbeeck.
Jan Koster.

Acknowledged before me,

LA MONTAGNE, Clerk at Fort Orange.

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[1] Maritie Damens who afterwards married Cornelis Van Nes.

Appeared before me Johannes La Montagne, in the service of, etc, in the presence of honorable Jan Verbeeck and Jan Koster Van Aken commissaries, etc., the honorable Philip Pieterse Schuyler old commissary of this place, who declares that he has granted and transferred, as by these presents, he does grant and transfer, in real and actual possession, to and for the behoof of Goosen Gerritse [Van Schaick,] his heirs, or assigns, his portion of the house and lot (being one half) that he holds in company with the grantee (*acceptant*), lying in the village of Beverwyck, aforesaid on the hill, adjoining to the north Henderick Rosenboom, and to the south the widow of Henderick Anderiessen [Van Doesburgh,] east and west the highway, whole length twenty rods, and breadth five rods, according to the patent thereof granted, by the Heer director general, and council of New Netherland, to Lourens Lourense, of date the 25th of October, A. D. 1653, and the grantor acknowledges that he is fully paid and satisfied for the purchase and delivery of the same, and therefore promises to free the same from all actions, claims, or pretensions, which may hereafter arise, pledging therefor his person and estate, personal and real, present and future, and submitting himself to all laws and judges.

Done in Fort Orange the 15th of September, A. D. 1664.

PHILIP PIETERSE SCHUYLER.

Jan Verbeeck.
Jan Koster.

Acknowledged before me,

LA MONTAGNE, Clerk at Fort Orange.

Appeared before me Johannes La Montagne, in the service, etc., in the presence of Jan Verbeeck and Jan Koster Van Aken commissaries, etc., the honorable Abraham Staets, old commissary of this place, who declares that he has granted and transferred, as by these presents, he does grant and transfer, in real and actual possession, to and for the behoof of honorable Philip Pieterse Schuyler also old commissary, his heirs, or assigns, a lot lying in the village of Beverwyck, adjoining to the east (?) the hill, to the west a common alley, to the south the street to the north the kil, in breadth from the common alley westward six rods two feet, length from the street to the kil; which lot is part of the patent given to him, the grantor, by the Heer director general and council of New Netherland, of date the 25th of October, A. D. 1653; and the grantor acknowledges that he is fully paid and satisfied for the purchase and delivery of the same, and therefore promises to free said lot from all actions, claims, or pretensions, which may hereafter arise, pledging therefor, his person and estate, real and personal, present and future, submitting himself to all laws and judges.

Done in Fort Orange the 15th of September, A. D. 1664.

ABRAM STAES.

Jan Verbeeck.
Jan Koster.

Acknowledged before me,

LA MONTAGNE, Clerk at Fort Orange.

Appeared before me Johannes La Montagne, in the service of, etc., in the presence of Hon. Stoffel Janssen [Abeel] and Jan Koster Van Aken

commissaries, etc., the honorable Philip Pieterse Schuyler, who declares that he has granted and transferred, as by these presents, he does grant and transfer, in real and actual possession to and for the behoof of Gysbert Janssen, his heirs or assigns, a lot lying in the village of Beverwyck on the hill, adjoining to the east the grantor, to the west a common alley or the house of Cornelis Steenwyck, to the south the street, to the north the kil, breadth one rod ten feet less two and a half inches, length from the street to the kil in the rear; which lot is a part of the patent granted to the honorable Abraham Staets of date the 25th of October, 1653, from whom the grantor received the same by conveyance; and the grantor acknowledges that he is fully paid and satisfied for the purchase and delivery of the same, and therefore promises to free it from all claims, actions, or pretensions, which may hereafter arise, pledging therefor his person and estate, personal and real, present and future, and submitting himself to the force of all laws and judges.

Done in Fort Orange the 15th of September, A.D. 1664.

PHILIP PIETERSE SCHUYLER.

Stoffel Janse Abeel.
Jan Koster

Acknowledged before me,

LA MONTAGNE, Clerk at Fort Orange.

Appeared before me Johannes La Montagne, in the service of, etc., in the presence of Gerrit Slichtenhorst and Stoffel Janssen [Abeel] commissaries, etc., Gysbert Janssen, who declares that he has granted and transferred, as by these presents he does grant and transfer, in real and actual possession to and for the behoof of Harmen Albertsen Vedder his heirs or assigns, a house and lot lying near Fort Orange in the village of Beverwyck on the hill, adjoining to the east Philip Pieterse Schuyler, to the west a common alley or the house of Mr. Cornelis Steenwyck, to the south the street, to the north the kil, breadth one rod ten feet less two and a half inches, length from the street to the kil in the rear; which lot the grantor received by conveyance from said Philip Pieterse Schuyler, by virtue of a patent granted to honorable Abraham Staets, of date the 25th of October, A.D. 1653, whereof this lot is a part; and the grantor acknowledges that he is fully paid and satisfied therefor, and promises to free the aforesaid house and lot from all claims, actions, or pretensions; which may hereafter arise, therefor pledging his person and estate, personal and real, present and future, and submitting himself to all laws and judges.

Done in Fort Orange the 15th of September, A.D. 1664.

GYSEBERT YANSEN.

Stoffel Janse Abeel.

Acknowledged before me,

LA MONTAGNE, Clerk at Fort Orange.

Conditions according to which the Heeren commissaries of Albany propose to farm out at public sale to the highest bidder, the slaughter excise for the time of one year. The farming of the slaughter excise shall begin on the first of October of this year, and end on the last day of September, A.D. 1665, old style. The farmer shall receive for the slaughtered beasts, whether ox, cow, calf, bull, hog, goat, or sheep, for every

guilder according to the value of the same, to wit, what is purchased for beavers shall give twenty stuivers in seewant for a beaver, and in case of dispute to be determined by an indifferent person. The farmer shall be holden to furnish two sufficient sureties as principals for the payment of the excise money, to the content of the Heer contractors, and in the time of six weeks from this date he shall pay the just half of the promised sum, and the other half on New Years day, being the first day of January, 1665, old style, in good current seewant, and if the farmer can not furnish sufficient sureties, then it shall be offered for sale again at his cost and charge, and whatever less it comes to be worth he shall make good, and whatever more it becomes worth he shall enjoy no profit therefrom. The farmer shall receive what has been paid in since the first of October new style, for the slaughtered beasts. After offering it for sale according to the above standing conditions, Henderick Rosenboom remained the highest bidder and farmer, for the sum of seven hundred and eighty guilders, for which he offered, as sureties and principals, Jan Tomassen and Evert Janssen Wendel, who pledge their persons and estates, personal and real.

Done in Albany the 27th of September, A.D. 1664.

HENDERYCK ROOSEBOOM.
JAN THOMASSE.
EVERT JANSE WENDEL.

Appeared before me Johannes Provoost by the Heeren commissaries of Albany admitted clerk of their Honors' court, and in the presence of the honorable Gerrit Slichtenhorst and Jan Koster Van Aken chosen witnesses out of their honorable college [court], Volckert Janssen [Douw] and Adriaen Van Ilpendam trustees of the estate of Andries Herbertse, who declares that they have granted and transferred, as by these presents they do grant and transfer, in real and actual possession to and for the behoof of Juriaen Janssen, his heirs or assigns, a house and lot lying in the village of Albany on the hill, adjoining on the south Jacob Schermerhorn, on the north and east the road, on the west the hill; breadth five rods, and length twenty rods, according to patent thereof granted to Gysbert Cornelis Van Wesap of date the 25th of October 1653, which lot said Anderies Herbertsen received by conveyance from Francoys Boom, for which house and lot the grantors acknowledge that they are fully paid and satisfied, and therefore promise to free the same from all actions, claims, or pretensions, which may hereafter arise, pledging therefor their persons and estates, personal and real, present and future, and submitting themselves to the force of all laws and judges.

Done in Albany the first of October 1664, old style.

VOLCKERT JANSE.
ADRIAEN VAN ILPENDAM.

Gerrit Slichtenhorst.
Jan Koster.

Conditions according to which the highest officer and the Heeren commissaries of Albany propose, in the name and by the authority of the Heer governor of New York, to farm out to the highest bidder, the excise of all the wines, beers and distilled liquors to be consumed and drawn by the innkeepers, tapsters, and retailers, in and about Albany and the

colony Rensselaerswyck. The farming shall begin on the 22d day of October, old style, and 1st of November new style, and end on the 22d of October old style, *Anno* 1565: being the time of 12 months, during which time the farmer may take and receive for all wines, beers, or distilled liquors, to be drawn and consumed by the tapsters and innkeepers, as follows:

For a tun of domestic brewed beer,	*f*	4.00
For a tun of foreign beer,	*f*	6.00
For a hogshead of French [wine],	*f*	20.00
For an anker do,	*f*	4.00
For an anker of Spanish wine, brandy, or distilled liquors,	*f*	7.00
For an anker of cider,	*f*	2.00

Greater and lesser measures in proportion; in beaver currency or else 16 white or 8 black seewants for a stuiver at the choice of the payer. The farmer shall be holden, to the content of the Heeren contractors, to furnish two sufficient sureties, one for each and all as principals, to pay every three months in beavers, or else in seewant, 16 white or eight black the stuiver, a just fourth part of the promised excise money. To prevent all cavil, misunderstanding and fraud, it is stipulated and agreed that, after the expiration of this farming, when a new farming is made, the new farmer shall be permitted on the day of the new farming, the day following, or at least within three days after the farming is let to make a guaging in presence of the late farmer if he wishes to be present, of the remainders of the wines, beers, and distilled liquors held over by the tapsters and innkeepers, and two-third parts of the receipts or dues for excise is to be made over and returned by the old or preceding farmer to his successor or following farmer. The Heeren contractors reserve to themselves the interpretation and amplification of this paper, and promise the farmer all proper aid and assistance. On the date above written the aforesaid farming being offered for sale, not more than 1000 guilders was offered for it, so Willem Bout on the 22d of October, was accepted? by the highest officer and the Heeren commissaries of Albany at the house of Antony Janse innkeeper, and upon the aforesaid conditions, for the tapster's excise promises to pay twenty-nine hundred guilders, and next Monday to furnish sufficient sureties according to the import of this paper. In accordance with the above written conditions, Harmen Bastiaense and Jan Vinhagen, offered themselves as sureties and principals, on pledge of their respective persons and estates, personal and real, present and future, nothing excepted.

Done in Albany, the 24th of October, 1664.

This is the mark with his own of Willem Frederickse, hand set.

Harmen Bastiaense.
Jan Vinhaegen.

Passed in presence of the highest officer [La Montagne] and Heeren commissaries of Albany. * * *

Ludovicus Cobes. * * *

Conditions according to which the Heeren commissaries of Albany, farm to the highest bidder, the burgher wine and beer excise, for the time of one year. The farming shall begin on the 22d of October, old style, and on the 1st of November, new style of the year 1664, and end on the 22d of October, old style *anno* 1665. The farmer shall receive for a tun of strong (*goet*) beer one dollar; for a tun of small beer ten stuivers; for a hogshead of French [wine] six guilders; for an anker of brandy, Spanish wine, or liquor, two guilders at twelve white, and six black seewants the stuiver, and the farmer aforesaid shall not refuse a licence (*ceelen*) to any burgher, who has been entered upon the burgher excise. The captain shall be free from this burgher excise, and the soldiers shall be free from the excise for small beer, also the preacher's excise shall be free from this farming. The farmer shall be holden to furnish two sufficient sureties, one for all and each as principals, to the content of the Heeren contractors, to pay the aforesaid excise every quarter year, a just fourth part of the whole sum in good strong seewant at twelve white, and six black [seewants] the stuiver, and in case the farmer fail in the aforesaid sureties, said farming shall be offered for sale again at his cost and charge, and whatever less it comes to be worth, he shall make good, and whatever more it becomes worth he shall enjoy no benefit therefrom. The Heer contractors reserve to themselves the interpretation and amplification of these conditions, and promise the farmer proper aid and assistance.

[This paper is incomplete.]

Appeared before me Johannes La Montagne, in the service of, etc., Willem Janssen Schut, who declares himself surety for the person of Lucas Eldersen, for the use of a canoe being *inquessit* (?) with Cornelis Cornelisse and Jan Henderickse Bruyn. In witness of which this is subscribed with his own hand.

Done in Fort Orange the last day of March, A.D. 1661, in presence of Johannes Provoost.

WILLEM JANSSEN.

Appeared before me Johannes La Montagne, in the service of, etc., Willem Janssen Stoll, at present about to depart for the Esopus, who declares in presence of the afternamed witnesses that he has appointed and empowered, as by these presents he does, Mr. Evert Janssen Wendel, burgher and inhabitant of the village of Beverwyck, in the subscriber's name and for his sake, to demand, collect, and receive from Claes Janssen *timmerman* [carpenter] certain thirty and a half beavers due to the subscriber, growing out of the purchase of a lot; among which thirty and a half beavers there are twenty-four on which the attorney, is to collect interest for the time of three years at ten *per cento;* and in case of delay, the payment to urge with law and the rigor of justice to definite sentence and extreme execution; and to proceed also to the arrest of persons and goods, and to do and perform all things which, the subscriber being present could or might do, provided that the attorney be holden to make

a proper exhibit and return of his transactions and receipts on pledge of his person and estate, real and personal.

Thus done in Fort Orange the 20th of April, A.D. 1661, in presence of Eldert Gerbertsen, and J. Provoost.

WILLEM JANSSEN STOL.

Elbert Gerbertsen Cruis.
Johannes Provoost witnesses.

Acknowledged before me,

LA MONTAGNE, clerk at Fort Orange.

Appeared before me Johannes La Montagne, in the service of, etc., Elderd Gerbertsen Kruiff, and Willem Janssen Stoll, who declare that they have contracted with each other, that Eldert Gerbertsen shall undertake to perform the contract between him and Claes Hendrickse for the repairing and finishing of the house which the aforesaid Kruiff bought of said Claes Henderickse; to keep an account of expenses which shall be paid according to the liquidation of the parties, and in case he uses more than the money he has in hand amounts to, Willem Janssen Stoll is to pay the excess, whatever less he uses he shall return again to the aforesaid Willem Janssen Stoll.

Thus done in Fort Orange the 20th of April, A.D. 1661, in presence of Evert Wendel, and J. Provoost.

ELBERT GERBERTSE CRUIF.
WILLEM JANSE STOL.

Evert Janse Wendel.
J. Provoost, clerk.

Acknowledged before me,

LA MONTAGNE, clerk at Fort Orange.

Appeared before me Johannes La Montagne, in the service of, etc., the honorable commissaries of said place, who declare that they have granted and transferred, as they do by these presents, in real and actual possession to and for the behoof of Juriaen Teunissen [Glasemacker], his heirs or assigns, a parcel of land lying in the middle of his lot, surveyed and to be used as a highway, in length from the road to the kil, and breadth three rods and four feet, therefore their honors promise him the grantee, to free it from all actions, claims, or pretensions, which may hereafter arise.

Thus done in Fort Orange the 1st of May A.D. 1661.

ANDRIES HERBERTS.
JAN VERBEECK.
FRANS BARENTSE PASTOOR.
EVERT JANSE WENDEL.

Acknowledged before me,

LA MONTAGNE, Clerk at Fort Orange.

Appeared before me Johannes La Montagne, in the service of, etc., in the presence of the honorable Philip Pieterse Schuyler and Adriaen Gerritsen [Papendorp] commissaries etc., Henderick Gerritse [Van Wie], inhabitant of the aforesaid village, who declares that he has granted and transferred as by these presents he does grant and transfer in real and actual possession to and for the behoof of Arent Vandenbergh *adelborst*

(gentleman soldier) here under the honorable [West India] company, his heirs or assigns, a lot for a garden lying near or behind the aforesaid Fort [Orange], breadth in front on the road four rods two feet and a half, to the south the grantor length eight rods, to the west Jeremias Van Rensselaer breadth four rods, to the north Gerrit Bancker length eight rods, all of such title and ownership as the grantor has possessed, promising the grantee to free it from all actions, claims, or pretensions, which may hereafter arise, on pledge of his person and estate real and personal, present and future subjecting the same to the authority of all laws and judges.

Done in Fort Orange the 10th of May, A.D. 1661.

HENDERICK GERRITSE.

Philip Pieterse.
Adriaen Gerritse.

LA MONTAGNE, Clerk at Fort Orange.

Appeared before me Mattheus De Vosch notary public commissioned by the honorable Heeren director general and council of New Netherland residing [at New Amsterdam] and in the presence of the afternamed witnesses, the honorable Alexander Leendersen [Glen] dwelling in the village of Beverwyck near Fort Orange and acknowledged for himself and his heirs that he, the subscriber, is well and truly indebted to the honorable Mr. Jan Sebastiaensen Van Gutsenhoven, in the sum of nine thousand seven hundred and fifty-three guilders twelve stuivers and eight pennies, growing out of wares and merchandise delivered according to the tenor of the settlement placed in the hands of the subscriber, who declares that he has received all that is mentioned in said account to his content; which aforesaid sum of 9753 guilders 12 stuivers and 8 pennies he, the subscriber, promises and undertakes to pay or cause to be paid to Mr. Jan Sebastiaensen Van Gutsenhoven or his order therefor properly qualified, at the farthest in the month of September next coming, 1661, with good merchantable beaver skins at eight guilders apiece, and for the punctual performance of all the aforesaid, the subscriber pledges his person and all his estate, personal and real, present and future nothing in anywise excepted, wherever it may lie, submitting the same to all laws and judges, promising by these presents to give, or in his name to cause to be given, knowledge of his estate to all counsellers or magistrates, nothing excepted, until the claims aforesaid of said Mr. Jan Sebastiaensen shall be fully paid, under submission as before.

Done in good faith at Amsterdam in New Netherland in presence of Jacques Cortelyou and Harmanus Letschoo inhabitants of this city witnesses, who with the mortgagor have subscribed this paper, this seventh day of May, 1661.

Was subscribed, "this agrees with the original minute *quod attestor Mattheus de Vos, Notary Public.*"

The above written copy was, by me J. La Montagne clerk of Fort Orange and village of Beverwyck, at the request of Mr. Jan Sebastiaensen Van Gutsenhooven, registered in this record, for his service in proper time and place.

Done in Fort Orange the 2d of June, A.D. 1661.

Quod Attestor LA MONTAGNE, Clerk at Fort Orange.

Conditions and proposals according to which Juriaen Teunisse [Glasemacker] is minded to sell at public sale to the highest bidder his house, lot and garden lying in the village of Beverwyck, to the east on Jochem De Backer and by the seller at present occupied.

Firstly, the aforesaid house, lot and garden shall be delivered to the buyer with all that is fast by earth and nailed. Delivery shall be made eight days after old Amsterdam fair day next coming.

[This paper is unexecuted and incomplete.]

Appeared before me Johannes La Montagne, etc., Jacob Vander Coelen, who, in the presence of the afternamed witnesses, declared that he had transferred, granted and made over, as by these presents he does, to and for the behoof of Maercelus Janssen [Van Bommel], inhabitant of said village, his whole credit due by the honorable West India company for wages and subsistence earned in the service of *lantspasaet*, furthermore by these presents appointing and empowering said Jacob Vandercoelen [Marcelis Janse ?] or the lawful holder of this instrument, to ask for, demand and receive the aforesaid moneys at Amsterdam in New Netherland from the Heer treasurer of the honorable West India company at the treasury of the same, and having received the same acquittance to give, which shall be valid as though given by the subscriber himself; and furthermore all things to do and perform to obtain the aforesaid wages and subsistence money, which he, the subscriber, being present could or might do although the matter may require greater and more special authority than stands herein expressed; promising at all times to hold good all that shall be done by virtue of this power under pledge of his person and estate personal and real.

Thus done in Fort Orange in presence of Nataniel Pietersen and Wallerom du Mon as witnesses hereto invited on this 29th of June, A.D. 1661.

JACOB VANDER COULEN.

Nattaneiel Petterse.
Woallerand du Mont.

Acknowledged before me,

LA MONTAGNE, Clerk at Fort Orange.

Conditions according to which Pieter Adriaensen [Soogemackelyck] is minded to sell at public sale to the highest bidder, his house and lot standing and lying in the village of Beverwyck, to the north Adriaen Janse Van Leyden and to the south Jan Barentsen [Wemp]. *Firstly*, the house and lot shall at once be delivered to the buyer as it stands with all that is fast by earth and nailed, which house is thirty-seven and a half feet long and twenty-six feet broad and fitly built up with stone on all sides; with the lot attached thereto ten rods long and four rods broad, for which the buyer with the last payment shall receive the patent and a proper conveyance. The payment shall be made in three installments; the first installment within six weeks from this date in good whole merchantable beavers at eight guilders a piece; the second in the month of May, A.D. 1662, in good current seewant to be paid at the rate of ixteen guilders the beaver; and the third or last installment on the first

of August, A.D. 1662, in good whole merchantable beavers as before. The buyer shall be holden to furnish two sufficient sureties, one for all and each as principals, immediately, to the content of the seller. If the buyer can not furnish said sureties in the time aforesaid the said house and lot shall be offered for sale again at his cost and charge, and whatever less it shall come to be worth he shall be holden to make good, and whatever more it shall become worth he shall enjoy no profit therefrom. The auction fees become a charge to the buyer. After many offers, Philip Pieterse Schuyler remained the last bidder for the sum of one thousand three hundred and six guilders according to the aforesaid conditions, for which the honorable Adriaen Gerritse [Papendorp] and Harmen Vedder offered themselves as sureties and principals for the payment of the aforesaid sum, on pledge of their persons and estates, personal and real, present and future, subjecting themselves to the authority of all laws and judges.

Done in Beverwyck on the 15th of September, A.D. 1661.

PHILIP PIETERSE SCHUYLER.
ADRIAEN GERRETSEN.
HARMEN VEDDEREN.

Acknowledged before me,

LA MONTAGNE, Clerk at Fort Orange.

Proposals and conditions on which Pieter Adriaensen [Soogemackelyck] is minded to sell at public sale to the highest bidder his house and lot and garden, lying in the *colonie* Rensselaerswyck and at present inhabited by him. *Firstly*, the aforesaid house lot and garden as it stands and lies in fence shall be delivered to the buyer with all that is fast by earth and nailed, except the fruit trees which are therein, free and unincumbered without any claim standing against the same save the lord's right. Delivery shall be made on the first day of May, A.D. 1662. * *

[This paper is incomplete and unexecuted].

Conditions on which Marcellus Janssen [Van Bommel] is minded to sell at public sale to the highest bidder, his house and lot as it is at present occupied by the seller with all that is fast by earth and nailed. *Firstly*, the aforesaid house shall be delivered to the buyer with the lot as it is at present occupied by him and stands in fence according to the patent thereof. The delivery of the aforesaid house and lot shall be made on the first of May, A.D. 1662, with a conveyance of the same. Payment shall be make in good whole merchantable beaver skins in three installments, the first on the first of June, A.D. 1662, the second one year after date on the first of June, A.D. 1663, and the third one year after the second installment being on the first of June, A.D. 1664. With the last payment the patent shall be delivered. The buyer shall be holden to furnish two sufficient sureties one for all and each as principals, immediately, to the content of the seller. If the buyer can not furnish said sureties then the aforesaid house and lot shall be offered again for sale, and whatever less it comes to be worth he shall be holden to make good, and what more it becomes worth he shall derive no profit therefrom. The auction fees become a charge to the buyer. On the above standing conditions Asser Levy remained the last bidder for the sum of one thousand

seven hundred and nine guilders, for which the honorable Johan Verbeeck and Jochim Wesselse [Backer] offered themselves as sureties and principals for the payment of the aforesaid sum, on pledge of their persons and estates, personal and real, present and future.

Done in Fort Orange this 15th of July, 1661.

ASSER LEEVI.
JAN VERBEECK.
JOCHEM BACKER

Acknowledged before me,

LA MONTAGNE, Clerk at Fort Orange.

Appeared before me Johannes La Montagne, etc., Henderick Jochemsen,[1] burgher and inhabitant of the village of Beverwyck, who declares in the presence of the honorable Frans Barentsen Pastoor and Adriaen Gerritsen [Papendorp] commissaries etc., that he had granted and transferred as by these presents he does grant and transfer in real and actual possession to the behoof of Captain Abraham Staets also burgher and inhabitant of the same place his heirs or assigns, his house and lot without Fort Orange according to the patent, and act of concession for a certain parcel [of ground] to said lot annexed, for a certain sum for which he the grantor, acknowledges that he has had payment and satisfaction, promising to free said house and lot from all actions and claims on pledge of his person and estate personal and real, present and future, and submitting himself to all laws and judges.

Thus done in Fort Orange the 20th of July, A.D. 1661.

HENDRICK JOCHEMSE.

Frans Barentse Pastoor.
Adriaen Gerretsen.

Acknowledged before me,

LA MONTAGNE, Clerk at Fort Orange.

Proposals and conditions on which Cornelis Vosch proposes to sell at public sale to the highest bidder, his house and lot standing and lying in the village of Beverwyck, to the east Daniel Verveelen. *Firstly*, the aforesaid house shall be delivered to the buyer with all that is fast by earth and nailed, except the little leanto on the east side of said house, with the chimney and oven which thereto belongs; the house is five and twenty feet long and eighteen feet broad, and if it happens that the buyer comes to repair or remove the house or replace it by another, he shall be holden to leave a proper drip for both this and Daniel Verveelen's house; the lot that shall be delivered to the buyer is altogether nine rods long, breadth in the rear on the kil seventeen feet and a half, in front as broad as the aforesaid house, together with an alley of three and a half feet.

[This paper is incomplete and unexecuted].

Proposals and conditions on which Cornelis Vosch proposes to sell at public sale to the highest bidder his lot lying in the village of Beverwyck

[1] Henderick Jochemsen was a citizen of Beverwyck in 1654, the following year he kept a public house and was lieutenant of the burgher company.— *Deeds* II, 63, 104. *Dutch Manuscripts*, XVI, 103.

next to his house. *Firstly*, the aforesaid lot shall be delivered to the buyer in length nine rods, breadth in front on the road three and twenty feet and in the rear on the kil six and thirty feet. The lot aforesaid shall be delivered to the buyer on the first of May, A.D. 1662.

[This paper is incomplete and unexecuted].

Proposals and conditions on which Henderick Jochemsen proposes to sell to the highest bidder at public sale his house and lot lying in the *colonie* Rensselaerswyck. *Firstly*, the aforesaid house and lot shall be delivered to the buyer with all that is fast by earth and nailed, and the lot as it lies in fence.

[Incomplete].

Appeared[1] before me Johannes La Montagne in the service of the Privileged West India Company, by the director general and council of New Netherland admitted vice director and clerk (*commies*) at Fort Orange and village of Beverwyck, certain sachems (*oversten*) of the Mohawks' land named Cantuquo, Sonareetse, Aiadne, Sodachdrasse, owners of a certain piece of land named in Dutch the Great Flat and lying behind Fort Orange, between the same and the Mohawks' lands, who declare that they have granted and transferred as by these presents they do grant and transfer, in real and actual possession and ownership to the behoof of Mr. Arent Van Corlaer, the said piece of land or Great Flat by the Indians named Schonowe, in its compass and circumference with its woods and kils, for a certain number of cargoes, for which the grantors acknowledge they have had satisfaction, renouncing henceforth and forever all ownership and pretensions, which they to said pieces of land heretofore have had, and promising to free it from all pretensions which the other Indians may have.

Done in Fort Orange, the 27th of July, A. D. 1661, in presence of Marten Mouris[2] and Willem Montagne, hereto invitted.

This is the mark of CANTUQUO

This is the mark of SONAREETSIE.

This is the mark of AIADANE.

M. Mou.
Willem de La Montagne.

Acknowledged before me,
LA MONTAGNE, V. D. and Clerk at Fort Orange.

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[1] The following paper is the first conveyance of the land on which Schenectady stands and of the *Bouwland* lying west of the city. Arent Van Curler was the leader of the little company who settled there the following year.

[2] Marten Mouris was a half breed and brother of Jacques Cornelise Van Slyck. He gave name to the great island, lying west of Schenectady in the Mohawk river, called "Marten's island." Jacques was owner of one half of it.

On this day, date underwritten, in the presence of the afternamed witnesses, Abraham Staets purchased at public sale from Pieter Jacobsen Bosboom,[1] a brick kiln (*steen backery*) excepting the bricks (*steenen*) which are now therein, with the lot belonging thereto of such magnitude as the patent mentions, for the sum of three hundred and fifty guilders in good current seewant to be paid in two installments; the first within one month from date, and the other on the first of May, A.D. 1662; meanwhile the buyer remains holden to provide for the auction fees and pay to the vendue master a stuiver for every guilder, on pledge of his person and estate, personal and real, present and future, subjecting himself to the force of all laws and judges. Done in Beverwyck, this 28th day of July, A.D. 1662.

ABRAM STAES.

Ludovicus Cobes, witness.
Johannes Provoost, witness.

Acknowledged before me,

LA MONTAGNE, Clerk at Fort Orange.

Appeared before me Johannes La Montagne, in the service of, etc., in the presence of the honorable Abraham Staets and Adriaen Gerritsen [Papendorp,] commissaries, etc., Mr. Jan Verbeeck, old commissary, who acknowledges that he is well, truly and honestly indebted to Mr. Jan Bastiaensen Gudsenhoven in the sum of four hundred and sixty-two guilders and seven stuivers, growing out of bills of goods and merchandise, which he during the time of three or four years has received to his content, which aforesaid sum of four hundred and sixty-two guilders and seven stuivers, he, the subscriber, promises to pay to the aforesaid Jan Bastiaensen or his attorney, in good whole merchantable beaver skins at eight guilders a piece, at the furthest in the time of one year from this date punctually without longer delay, therefor pledging his person and estate, personal and real, present and future, nothing excepted, specially mortgaging his new house and lot annexed, standing and lying in the village of Beverwyck and by the mortgagor occupied, as a fast pledge to secure the payment if need be of the aforesaid sum of four hundred and sixty-two guilders and seven stuivers, without loss and cost, all on pledge as before and submitting himself to all laws and judges.

Done in Fort Orange, this 30th of July, A.D. 1661.

JAN VERBEECK.

Abram Staes.
Adriaen Gerretsen.

Acknowledged before me,

LA MONTAGNE, Clerk at Fort Orange.

Appeared before me Johannes La Montagne, etc., in the presence of the honorable Rutger Jacobsen and Evert Janssen Wendel, commissaries, etc., the honorable Leendert Philipsen [Conyn] inhabitant of the aforesaid village, who acknowledges that he is well, truly and honestly indebted to Mr. Jan Bastiaensen Van Gudsenhooven in the sum of one thousand one hundred and thirty-seven guilders and eight stuivers, growing out of invoices of goods and merchandise, which he to his content and satisfaction has received, which aforesaid sum of one thousand one

[1] This *Steenbacker* was one of the early settlers of Schenectady,

hundred and thirty-seven guilders and eight stuivers with interest on the same at ten *per cento* yearly to begin from this date and running till the full payment, he, the subscriber, promises to pay to Jan Bastiaensen, or his attorney, in good whole merchantable beaver skins at eight guilders a piece, at the farthest within one year from date punctually without longer delay, on pledge of his person and estate, personal and real, present and future, nothing excepted, and specially mortgaging as a fast pledge and special hypothecation, his house and lot lying in the village of Beverwyck, and at present occupied by him, to secure the payment of the aforesaid sum of one thousand one hundred and thirty-seven guilders and eight stuivers with interest on the same, if need be, without loss or cost, all on pledge as before, and submitting himself to all laws and judges.

Done in Fort Orange, the 30th of July, A.D. 1661.

LEENDERT PHYLES [PHILIPSE].

Rutger Jacobsen.
Evert Wendel.

Acknowledged before me,

LA MONTAGNE, Clerk at Fort Orange.

Proposals and conditions on which Cornelis Vos proposes to sell at public sale to the highest bidder his house and lot lying in the village of Beverwyck, to the east Daniel Verveelen. *Firstly*, the aforesaid house and lot shall be delivered to the buyer, as it stands; the aforesaid house is 25 feet long and 18 feet broad except the leanto on the east side of the same; the aforesaid lot with the house is nine rods long, breadth in the rear on the kil seventeen and a half feet, in front on the road as broad as the aforesaid house, with a gangway on the east side of three and a half feet, provided the buyer when he comes to remove the house and build another in its place, shall leave a proper drip to both his and Daniel Verveelen's houses. The delivery shall be made on the first of May, A.D. 1662. The payment shall be made in good whole merchantable beaver skins at eight guilders apiece, in two installments, the first on the delivery; the second on the first of July, A.D. 1663. The buyer shall be holden to furnish two sufficient sureties one for all and each as principals, to the content of the seller immediately. If the buyer can not furnish said sureties in said time, then the house and lot, shall be offered for sale again at his charge and cost, and whatever less it comes to be worth, he shall be holden to make good, and whatever more it becomes worth he shall enjoy no benefit therefrom. The auction fees become a charge to the buyer payable as before. On the above standing conditions Barent Van Marle remained the highest bidder for the sum of one thousand and twenty guilders, for which the honorable Jan Verbeeck and Andries Herbertsen offer themselves as sureties and principals for the payment of the aforesaid sum, on a pledge of their persons and estates personal and real, present and future, submitting themselves to all laws and judges.

Done in the village of Beverwyck, this 30th of July, A.D. 1661.

BARENT VAN MARLE.
JAN VERBEECK.
ANDRIS HERBERTS.

Acknowledged before me,

LA MONTAGNE, Clerk at Fort Orange.

Appeared before me Johannes La Montagne, in the service of, etc., Mrs. Sophia Van Wyckersloot, assisted by her husband Mr. Toinel, who declares in presence of the afternamed witnesses, that she has sold and transferred to Mr. Asser Levy, all the goods and merchandise, which she is expecting out of *Patria* by the ship Beaver, consigned to her by her father, for which the aforesaid Asser Levy is holden to pay seventy-five *per cento* advance on their cost in Holland, besides also the freight, of the aforesaid goods to the skipper; appointing and empowering by these presents the said Asser Levy out of the honorable company's warehouse to receive, open and inspect said goods, and for injury (if there be any) restitution to demand, furthermore to do in the matter as she, the subscriber, being present could or might do, promising to hold as good and true all that the attorney by virtue of these presents shall do, provided he be holden of his transactions and receipts to render to the subsciber a proper statement and return, and payment according to the above written conditions, under pledge of her estate personal and real, present and future, the same submitting to all laws and judges.

Done in Fort Orange, in presence of Johannes Provoost and Jan. Pieterse as witnesses here to invited on this 1st day of August, A.D. 1661.

SOPHIA VAN WYCKERSLOOT.
ANTHONY TOINEL.

Jan Pieterse Mulder.
Johannes Provoost, wit.

Acknowledged before me,
LA MONTAGNE V. D. and *Commies* at Fort Orange.

Appeared before me Johannes La Montagne, in the service of, etc., in the presence of the honorable Rutger Jacobsen and Frans Barentse Pastoor commissaries, etc., Mr. Jan Verbeeck old commissary, who acknowledges that he is well, truly and honestly indebted to Mr. Barent Van Marle in the sum of two hundred and sixty-six guilders and ten stuivers growing out of invoices and merchandise which he to his content, has received, which aforesaid sum of two hundred and sixty-six guilders and ten stuivers he the subscriber promises to pay to said Barent Van Marle or his attorney in good whole merchantable beaver skins at eight guilders a piece, within one year from this date, on pledge of his person and estate personal and real, present and future, nothing excepted, especially his new house and lot standing and lying in the village of Beverwyck, and by him at present occupied, as a fast security and special pledge for the payment of said sum if need be, without loss or cost.

Thus done in Fort Orange, this 2d of August, A.D. 1661.

JAN VERBEECK.

[The above mortgage is crossed out].

Appeared before me Johannes La Montagne, in the service of, etc., in the presence of the honorable Frans Barentse Pastoor and Evert Wendell commissaries etc., Jan Lambertsen Van Breemen, who acknowledges and declares that he is well, truly, and honestly indebted to Mr. Jan Bastiaense Van Gudsenhooven, in the sum of sixty guilders and fifteen stuivers, growing out of invoices and merchandise which he received in

the year 1656 to his content, which aforesaid sum of sixty-five guilders and fifteen stuivers, he, the subscriber, promises to pay to said Jan Bastiaense Van Gudsenhooven or his attorney, with interest on the same at ten per cent, commencing on this date and extending to the complete payment, in good whole merchantable beaver skins at eight guilders a piece, within the time of one year from date and no longer; for which the subscriber aforesaid pledges as security and special mortgage, his house and lot standing and lying in the village of Beverwyck, and at present occupied by him, for the payment of the aforesaid sum of sixty-five guilders and fifteen stuivers without cost or loss, with interest on the same, on pledge of his person and estate, personal and real, present and future, submitting himself to all laws and judges.

Done in Fort Orange, this 11th of August, A.D. 1661

This is the mark + of JAN LAMBERTSEN VAN BREEMAN.
with his own hand set.

Frans Barentse Pastoor.
Evert Wendell.

Acknowledged before me,

LA MONTAGNE, Clerk at Fort Orange.

Appeared before me Johannes La Montagne, in the service of, etc., in the presence of honorable Frans Barentse Pastoor and Evert Janssen Wendel commissaries, etc., Cristoffel Davidts, who declares that he has granted and transferred as by these presents he does grant and transfer in real and actual possession to and for the behoof of Geertruy Anderiesen widow of Jacob Janssen Stoll deceased, her heirs or assigns a piece of cleared land lying in the Esopus, adjoining to the north Madame Ebbingh and to the south Jurriaen Westvael, in two parcels, together about thirty-six morgens, also a piece of pasture land of about twenty morgens, extending to the woods; for the sum of fourteen hundred guilders, for which aforesaid sum, he, the grantor, acknowledges that he has had satisfaction, except six hundred guilders in seewant, which he assigns and transfers to Jeremias Van Rensselaer by the agreement of the grantee according to the conveyance of the aforesaid Jacob Janssen Stoll deceased dated the 13th July, A.D. 1657, which aforesaid sum of six hundred guilders, she, the grantee, undertakes to pay to said Rencelaer within one year from next November, in good winter wheat reckoned at four guilders the skipple, and other grains; he, the grantor, promising to free the aforesaid land from all claims, actions or pretensions, which may hereafter arise on pledge of his person and estate, personal and real, present and future, submitting himself to all laws and judges.

Done in Fort Orange, the 15th of August, A.D. 1661.

This is the mark CD of CHRISTOFFEL DAVIDS,
with his own hand set.

This is the mark of GEERTRUY ANDRIESEN,
with her own hand set.

Frans Barentse Pastoor.
Evert Wendel.

Acknowledged before me,

LA MONTAGNE, Clerk at Fort Orange.

Appeared before me Johannes La Montagne, in the service of, etc., in the presence of honorable Rutger Jacobsen and Adriaen Gerritsen [Papendorp] commissaries, etc , who acknowledges and declares that he is well, truly and honestly indebted to Mr. Barent Van Marle, in the sum of two hundred and sixty-six guilders and ten stuivers, growing out of invoices and merchandise to his content received, which said sum of two hundred and sixty-six guilders and ten stuivers, he, the subscriber, promises to pay to the aforesaid Marle or his attorney on the first of June, A.D. 1662, in good whole merchantable beaver skins at eight guilders a piece, wherefore he pledges and mortgages his old house and lot behind the same where he at present dwells, to secure the aforesaid sum without cost or loss, on pledge also of his person and estate, personal and real, present and future, and submitting himself to all laws and judges.

Done in Fort Orange, this 16th of August, A.D. 1661.

JAN VERBEECK.

Rutger Jacobsen.
Adriaen Gerretsen.

Acknowledged before me,

LA MONTAGNE, Clerk at Fort Orange.

Appeared before me Johannes La Montagne, in the service of, etc., in the presence of the honorable Rut Jacobsen and Adriaen Gerritsen [Papendorp] commissaries, etc., Jan Michielsen [Van Edam] inhabitant, who acknowledges and declares that he is well, truly and honestly indebted to Mr. Nicolaes Meyer in the sum of sixty-four guilders for goods received to his content, which aforesaid sum of sixty-four guilders he promises to pay to the aforesaid Meyer or to his attorney on the first of June, A.D. 1662, in good whole merchantable beaver skins at eight guilders a piece for which he pledges and specially mortgages his house and lot where he at present dwells, for the payment of the aforesaid sum, without cost or loss, on pledge also of his person and estate, personal and real, present and future, nothing excepted, and submitting himself to all laws and judges.

Done in Fort Orange, this 18th of August, A.D. 1661.

JAN MYCHGHYELSOON.

Rutger Jacobse.
Adriaen Gerretsen.

Acknowledged before me,

LA MONTAGNE, Clerk at Fort Orange.

Appeared before me Johannes La Montagne, in the service of, etc., in the presence of the honorable Evert Wendel and Adriaen Gerritsen [Papendorp] commissaries, etc., Henderick Gerritsen [Van Wie], inhabitant of the aforesaid place, who acknowledges and declares by these presents that he is well, truly and honestly indebted to Mr. Nicolaes Meyer, in the sum of fifty-six guilders, for goods and merchandise received to his content, which sum of fifty-six guilders, he promises to pay on the first day of May, A.D. 1662, in good whole merchantable beaver skins at eight guilders a piece, for which he pledges and specially mortgages his two houses and lots, the one occupied by himself and the other by Jan de

Kuyper, together with his garden lying behind Fort Orange together with the rent of the house occupied by Jan de Kuyper for the space of one year, amounting to the sum of one hundred and fifteen guilders in seewant to secure the payment of the sum of fifty-six guilders without loss or cost, on pledge also of his person and estate, personal and real, present and future, nothing excepted, and submitting himself to all laws and judges.

Done in Fort Orange, the 18th of August, A.D. 1661.

HYNDRICH GERISEN.

Evert Wendel.
Adriaen Gerretsen.

Acknowledged before me,

LA MONTAGNE, Clerk at Fort Orange.

Appeared before me Johannes La Montagne, in the service of, etc., in the presence of the honorable Evert Wendel and Adriaen Gerritse commissaries, etc, Mr. Daniel Verveelen trader, who declares that he has granted and transferred as by these presents he does grant and transfer in real and actual possession to and for the behoof of Cornelis Cornelissen de Boer, his heirs or assigns, his just half of the house and lot that he and the grantee bought in company of the attorney of Pieter De Maker, of such form, size and limits as received by them by conveyance from the aforesaid attorneys, to wit, Stoffel Janse [Abeel] and Jan Costerse Van Aken, for which half part of said house and lot the grantor acknowledges that he has had satisfaction, and promises to free the same from all actions, claims and pretensions which may hereafter arise, on pledge of his person and estate, personal and real, present and future, nothing excepted, submitting himself to all laws and judges.

Done in Fort Orange, this 25th of August, A.D. 1661.

DANIEL VERVEELEN.

Evert Wendel.
Adriaen Gerretse.

Acknowledged before me,

LA MONTAGNE, Clerk at Fort Orange.

Appeared before me Johannes La Montagne, in the service of, etc., in the presence of the honorable Rutger Jacobson and Frans Barentse Pastoor, commissaries, etc., the honorable Jan Mangelsen [1] of said place, who declares and acknowledges by these presents, that he is well, truly and honestly indebted to his father-in-law Pieter Adriaensen [Soogemackelyck] dwelling in the *colonie* Rensselaerswyck, in the sum of six hundred guilders in seewant and the number of ten good whole beaver skins, for seewant and other goods which he to his content has received; which sum he promises to pay in the time of ten days, wherefore he pledges his person and estate, personal and real, present and future, nothing excepted, for the payment of said sum, submitting himself to the force of all laws and judges.

Done in Fort Orange, the 25th of August, A.D. 1661.

JAN MANGELSEN.

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[1] Jan Mangelse was in Beverwyck as early as 1656, probably a trader. *Deeds* I, 124. *Dutch manuscripts.*

The honorable court do not find it proper that the above standing commissaries shall witness this obligation, before the sentence in favor of both Jan Claessen Backer and others is paid and satisfied.

Done at their session in Fort Orange the 30th of August, A.D. 1661.

By the order of the honorable court,

JOHANNES PROVOOST, Clerk.

Appeared before me Johannes La Montagne, in the service of, etc., in the presence of the honorable Rutger Jacobsen and Frans Barentse Pastoor, commissaries, etc., Pieter Jacobse Borsboom, who declares that he has granted and transferred as by these presents he does grant and transfer in real and actual possession to and for the behoof of Captain Abraham Staets and the honorable Goosen [Gerritse Van Schaick] their heirs or assigns, a lot lying by the First [Bever] kil, to the north the hill breadth five rods, to the east length twenty-three rods, to the south the road breadth sixteen rods, to the west length seventeen rods, according to patent to him granted by the Heer director general and council of New Netherland, of date the 23d of February, A.D. 1660; for which lot the grantor acknowledges that he has had satisfaction, and promises the same to free from all actions, claims and pretensions which may arise, on pledge of his person and estate, personal and real, present and future and submitting himself to all laws and judges.

Done in Fort Orange, the 29th of August, A.D. 1661.

PIETER JACOBSEN BORSBOOM.

Rutger Jacobsen.
Frans Barentse Pastoor.

Acknowledged before me,

LA MONTAGNE, Clerk at Fort Orange.

Appeared before me Johannes La Montagne, by the Heer director general, etc., in the presence of the honorable Rutger Jacobsen and Frans Barentse Pastor, commissaries, etc., Marcelus Janssen [Van Bommel] burgher of said place who acknowledges and declares by these presents that he is well, truly, and honestly indebted to Cornelis Jacobsen [By] in the sum of two hundred and two guilders and sixteen stuivers in good whole merchantable beaver skins at eight guilders a piece, which said sum he promises to pay with interest on the same at ten per cent, on the first of June, A.D. 1662, for the first payment on his house which Asser Levy has bought at public sale and which remains as a fast pledge and special mortgage for the payment of the aforesaid sum, on pledge of his person and estate, personal and real, present and future, nothing excepted and submitting himself to all laws and judges.

Done in Fort Orange the 30th of August, A.D. 1661.

MAERCELYS JANSSEN.

Rutger Jacobsen.
Frans Barentse Pastoor.

Acknowledged before me,

LA MONTAGNE, Clerk at Fort Orange.

On this fourth of June 1663, appeared before me Johannes La Montagne, in the service of, etc., Pieter Claessen Kay attorney for Cornelis Jacobsen, [By] who acknowledges and declares that the above standing mort-

gage for the behoof of the aforesaid Cornelis Jacobsen, and standing as an incumbrance against Marcelis Janse is fully paid and satisfied, and that he has no further claim upon said Marcelis Janse.

Done *ut supra.*

PIETER CLAESSE KAY.

Acknowledged before me,

LA MONTAGNE.

Appeared before me Johannes La Montagne, in the service of, etc., in the presence of the honorable Frans Barentse Pastoor and Evert Janssen Wendel, commissaries, etc., the honorable Rutger Jacobsen, who acknowledges and declares by these presents that he is well, truly, and honestly indebted to Tunis Cornelise Vander Poel[1] in the sum of three hundred and fifty-two guilders in good whole merchantable beaver skins, at eight guilders a piece, besides two *toebevers* and two otters, which aforesaid sum of three hundred and fifty-two guilders, two *toebevers* and two otters he promises to pay on the first of January, A.D. 1662, and failing therein, the mortgagor shall be holden to pay interest on the aforesaid sum, and for the securing of said payment both principala nd interest, offers as a fast pledge and special mortgage, his whole portion of the island lying obliquely over against Betlehem, which he and Andries Herbertsen hold in company, on pledge of his person and estate, personal and real, present and future, nothing excepted, and submitting himself to all laws and judges.

Done in Fort Orange, the last day of August, A.D. 1661.

RUTGER JACOBSEN.

Frans Barentse Pastoor.
Evert Janse Wendel.

Acknowledged before me,

LA MONTAGNE, Clerk at Fort Orange.

Appeared before me Johannes Provoost, in the service of, etc., Marcelus Janssen, burgher of the aforesaid village, who declared in the presence of the afternamed witnesses that he had granted and transferred to Cornelis Cornelisse de Boer the number of ten and a half good whole merchantable beaver skins at eight guilders a piece for the first payment on the grantor's house, which Asser Levy at public sale bought, and from whom the *acceptant* [De Boer] is to receive them, and the half of a preferred debt due from Seger Cornelisse, assigned by Adriaen Symonse [Boer] and accepted by the grantor; for the full payment of which he pledges his person and estate, personal and real, present and future, nothing excepted, under subjection to all laws and judges.

Done in Fort Orange, the 31st of August, A.D. 1661, in presence of J. Verbeeck and Segger Cornelissen.

MAERCELYS JANSEN.

Jan Verbeeck.
Segger Cornelissen.

Acknowledged before me,

J. PROVOOST, Clerk.

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[1] Tennis Cornelise Vander Poel made his will 17th June 1687, in which he speaks of his wife Catherine Jans Croon and three daughters, Elizabeth widow of Sybrant Van Schaick, then wife of Bemony Van Corlaer, Maria wife of Anthony Van Schaick, and Johanna wife of Barent Lewis. He died soon after the date of his will leaving to his widow a house and lot in Amsterdam, which she devised to her three daughters.— *Annals of Albany*, III, 196 197.

Appeared before me Johannes Provoost, clerk of the court of Fort Orange and village of Beverwyck, Marcelus Janssen [Van Bommel] burgher of said place, who declared that he had granted and transferred to Seger Cornelissen [Van Voorhoudt] the number of four and thirty good whole merchantable beaver skins, for the first payment on his house bought by Asser Levy at public sale from the grantee (*acceptant*), growing out of an assignment from Adriaen Symonsen accepted by the grantor and transferred for the aforesaid payment on his house; wherefore in full payment of the same he pledges his person and estate, personal and real, present and future, nothing excepted, submitting himself to all laws and judges.

Done in Beverwyck, the 31st August, A.D. 1661, in presence of the honorable Jan Verbeeck and Cornelis Cornelissen de Boer.

MAERCELYS JANSSEN.

Jan Verbeeck.
Cornelis Cornelissen de Boer.

Acknowledged before me,

JOHANNES PROVOOST, Clerk.

Appeared before me Johannes La Montagne, in the service of, etc., in presence of the honorable Evert Wendel and Philip Pieterse Schuyler, commissaries, etc., the honorable Rutger Jacobsen dwelling in the aforesaid village, who declares that he has granted and transferred in real and actual possession to and for the behoof of Mr. Gerrit Bancker, trader here, his heirs or assigns, a lot lying in said village of Beverwyck, adjoining to the east Goosen Gerritsen [Van Schaick], to the west Barent Reyndersen, to the south the kil, to the north the grantee (*acceptant*); the length extends to the kil, the breadth to the south three rods and ten inches, breadth to the north the same; which lot is a part of the patent to the grantor given by the Heer director general and council of New Netherland of date the 23d of April, A.D. 1652, and he promises to free said lot from all actions, claims or pretensions which may hereafter arise, on pledge of his person and estate, personal and real, present and future, submitting himself to all laws and judges.

Done in Fort Orange, the 2d of September, A.D. 1661.

RUTGER JACOBSEN.

Evert Janse. Wendel.
Philip Pieterse.

Acknowledged before me,

LA MONTAGNE, Clerk at Fort Orange.

Appeared before me Johannes Provoost, in the service of, etc., Reynier Wisselpenningh about to depart for Manhatans, who declares in presence of the afternamed witnesses that he has appointed and empowered, as by these presents he does appoint and empower Lowies Cobussen, court messenger here, in the subscriber's name, and for his sake, to appear before the said court against the person of Tomas Lodewyckse [1] to plead in the suit which they have, about the fitting out of the sloop (*jaght*) which they have begun in company; and against said Tomas Lodewyckse to proceed in a legal manner, to definite sentence and extreme execution;

[1] Thomas Lodewyckse and Reynier Wisselpenningh in an action against the church, May 1, 1658, for constructing a baptistry (*doophuysje*) in the church recovered 270 guilders.—*Dutch Manuscripts*, A. 31-5.

and moreover, all things to do and perform, which he, the attorney, shall judge proper, promising to hold good and just all that said attorney shall do in said matter, provided he make a proper return of his transactions

Thus done on this 5th of September, A. D. 1661, in presence of Harmen Henderickse Van Barnewel.

REINIER WYSSELPENGH.

Heremen Hendrick.

Acknowledged before me,

J. PROVOOST, Clerk.

Appeared before me Johannes La Montagne, in the service of, etc., in the presence of the honorable Philip Pieterse Schuyler and Adriaen Gerritse [Papendorp], commissaries, etc., Cornelis Vosch, who declares and acknowledges, that he is well, truly and honestly indebted to Mr. Gerrit Bancker, in the sum of three hundred guilders in good whole merchantable beaver skins, at eight guilders a piece, for goods to his content received, and promises said sum of three hundred guilders to pay next year, A. D. 1662, in the business season (*handeltyt*), and failing of that in the year 1663; and for the payment of which he specially mortgages and pledges his lot lying in the village of Beverwyck, adjoining to the east Barent Van Marle, to the west the street, to the south the first [Bever] kil, and to the north the street, for the payment of the aforesaid sum of three hundred guilders, if need be without cost or loss, on a pledge also of his person and estate, personal and real, present and future, and submitting himself to the authority of all laws and judges.

Done in Fort Orange, the 9th of Sept., A. D. 1661

CORNELIS VOS.

Philip Pieterse.
Adriaen Gerretsen.

Acknowledged before me,

LA MONTAGNE, Clerk at Fort Orange.

Appeared before me Johannes La Montagne, in the service of, etc., in the presence of the honorable Frans Barentsen Pastoor and Evert Janssen Wendel, commissaries, etc., the honorable Rutger Jacobsen, who declares that he has granted and transferred, as by these presents he does grant and transfer in real and actual possession, to and for the behoof of Barent Reyndersen, his heirs, or assigns, a lot lying in the village of Beverwyck, adjoining to the west Gerrit Bancker, to the east the grantor, to the south the street, to the north the kil, length from the front on the street to the kil, and breadth in the rear on said kil twenty-seven feet; which lot is a part of the patent to the grantor, given by the Heer director general and council of New Netherland, of date the 23d of April, A. D. 1652, and he promises the aforesaid lot to free from all claims, actions, or pretensions, which may hereafter arise, on pledge of his person and estate, personal and real, present and future, and submitting himself to all laws and judges.

Done in Fort Orange, the 9th of September, A. D. 1661.

RUTGER JACOBSEN.

Frans Barentse Pastoor.
Evert Janse Wendel.

Acknowledged before me,

LA MONTAGNE, Clerk at Fort Orange.

Appeared before me Johannes La Montagne, in the service of, etc., in the presence of the honorable Frans Barentse Pastoor and Evert Wendel, commissaries, etc., the honorable Rutger Jacobsen who acknowledges that he is well, truly, and honestly indebted to Pieter Simonsen [Van Oostsanen] in the sum of one thousand and thirty-two guilders for goods to his content received, which aforesaid sum of one thousand and thirty-two guilders, the subscriber promises to pay to said Pieter Simonsen or his attorney on the first of July, A.D. 1662, in good whole merchantable beaver skins at eight guilders a piece; and for the full payment of the aforesaid sum the subscriber specially pledges and mortgages his sloop (*jacht*) of which Abraham de Truwe is skipper, for the payment of said sum of one thousand and thirty-two guilders in beavers if need be without loss or cost, on pledge also of his person and estate, personal and real, present and future, submitting himself to all laws and judges.

Done in Fort Orange, the 10th of September, 1661.

RUTGER JACOBSEN.

Frans Barentse Pastoor.
Evert Janse Wendel.

Acknowledged before me,

LA MONTAGNE, Clerk at Fort Orange.

Appeared before me Johannes La Montagne, in the service of, etc., on the date underwritten, in presence of the afternamed witnesses, the honorable Henderick Anderiesse [Van Doesburgh] at present about to depart for *Patria*, who declares that he has appointed and empowered, as by these presents he does, the honorable Frans Barentse Pastoor, commissary, etc., in his name and for his sake so far as he can, to demand, collect and receive from Philip Henderickse Brouwer of this place, certain three thousand one hundred and ninty-four guilders in beavers, which are coming to him, the subscriber, growing out of the sale of a brewery as it stands with its appurtenances, and if so be the aforesaid Philip Henderickse comes to sell said brewery, to lay hands upon the money and if said brewery does not fetch so much as said sum of three thousand one hundred and ninty-four guilders in beavers, he shall the further payment seek to obtain by law and rigor of justice; to which end all terms of the laws to observe to definitive sentence and extreme execution; also if need be to proceed by arrest of persons and goods; for receipts acquittance to pass, furthermore all things to do and perform, which he, the attorney, shall judge proper; promising at all times, to hold as true all that said attorney shall perform in the aforesaid matter, provided that the attorney shall be holden when asked, to make a proper exhibit of his transactions.

Thus done and passed in presence of Johannes Provoost and Walleran du Mont as witnesses hereto called, on this 13th of September, A.D. 1661, in Fort Orange.

HENDRICK AENDRIESEN.

Johannes Provoost, witness.
Wallerand du Mont.

Acknowledged before me,

LA MONTAGNE, Clerk at Fort Orange.

Appeared before me Johannes La Montagne, in the service of, etc., in the presence of the honorable Evert Wendel and Philip Pieterse Schuy-

ler, commissaries, etc., the honorable Anderies Herbertsen, who acknowledges and declares by these presents that he is well, truly, and honestly indebted to the honorable Goosen Gerritse [Van Schaick] in the sum of one thousand and fifteen guilders and fourteen stuivers and eight pennies for goods which since the year 1657 to this date to his content and satisfaction he has received, which aforewritten sum of one thousand and fifteen guilders fourteen stuivers and eight pennies, he the subscriber, promises to pay to the aforesaid Goosen Gerritse or his attorney on the first of June, A.D. 1662, in good whole merchantable beaver skins, at eight guilders a piece, and for all the time beyond the aforesaid date the subscriber shall be holden to pay proper interest; for the full performance of which he pledges and specially mortgages his house and lot lying in the village of Beverwyck where he at present dwells, to secure the payment if need be of the aforesaid sum without loss or cost, on pledge of his person and estate, personal and real, present and future, nothing excepted, submitting himself to all laws and judges.

Done in Fort Orange, the 13th of September, A.D. 1661.

ANDRIS HERBERTS.

Evert Janse Wendel.
Philip Pieterse.

Acknowledged before me, LA MONTAGNE, Clerk at Fort Orange.

Appeared before me Johannes La Montagne, in the service of, etc., in the presence of the afternamed witnesses, Daniel Rinckhout dwelling in the said village, who declares that he has appointed and empowered as by these presents he does, the honorable Pieter de Maker house carpenter, dwelling at Amsterdam, in the subscriber's name and for his sake, to demand, and collect, of Sacharias Kreleman dwelling at Rotterdam guardian of the subscriber, such accounts and balances as are due to the subscriber by way of inheritance from Johannes Rinckhout deceased, the subscriber's uncle; for receipts acquittance to pass, seeking to procure said inheritance if necessary by law and rigor of justice; to which end all the terms of the law to observe to definitive sentence and extreme execution of the same; also if need be to proceed by arrest against persons and goods; furthermore all things to do and perform which he, the subscriber being present could or might do; provided that the attorney be holden of his transactions and receipts when requested a proper statement to make, promising at all times to hold good all that the attorney in said matter shall have done.

Thus done and passed on this 14th of September, A.D. 1661, in Fort Orange, in New Netherland in presence of Arent Vanden Bergh and Johannes Provoost as witnesses hereto called.

DANIEL RINGHOUTT.[1]

This is the mark **AB** *of Arent Vanden Bergh, with his own hand set.*
J. Provoost, witness.

Acknowledged before me, LA MONTAGNE, Clerk at Fort Orange.

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[1] Daniel Rinckhout was in Beverwyck as early as 1657.— *Dutch Manuscripts*, xvi, 89. In 1662, Daniel Rinckhout born in Pomeren, aged about 36 years gave acquittance for the bequest of his uncle Jan R., of Munickendam (*Notarial Papers* i, 62), and makes his will giving to his brother Jan his house and all his property, save to his brother Aertman in Pomeren 25 guilders if living.— *Ibid*, p. 63. His brother Jan, baker of Albany in 1670, by his wife Elizabeth Drinckvelt, leased his house to Anthony Lespinard with privilege of baking for Christians and savages.— *Notarial Papers*, ii.

Appeared before me Johannes La Montagne, in the service of, etc., Jan Van Aken, who declares in presence of the afternamed witnesses that he has appointed and empowered as he does by these presents the honorable Goosen Gerritsen [Van Schaick] in his name and for his sake, at Amsterdam in New Netherland, to ask, demand, and receive of the treasurer of the general Priviledged West India Company at the treasury of the same, certain three hundred guilders in beavers coming to him through Jan Cloet as appears by a statement subscribed by C. V. Ruyven;[1] of the receipt acquittance to pass which shall be valid as if done by the subscriber himself, furthermore all things to do and perform to obtain the aforesaid three hundred guilders which the subscriber himself being present might or could do, should the matter demand greater and more special authority than stands expressed herein, promising him at all times to hold good and true whatever he shall do by virtue hereof.

Thus done in Fort Orange, in presence of Sacharias Sickles and Johannes Provoost as witnesses hereto called this 14th of September, A.D. 1661.

This is the mark of with his own JAN VAN AKEN. hand set.

Zacharias Seckelse.
Johannes Provoost, witness.

Acknowledged before me,

LA MONTAGNE, Clerk at Fort Orange.

Appeared before me Johannes La Montagne, in the service of, etc., Goosen Gerritse [Van Schaick] dwelling in the aforesaid village, who declares in presence of the afternamed witnesses that he has appointed and empowered as he does by these presents, Mr. Jan Sibinck dwelling at Amsterdam to arrange and settle with Mr. Gillis Verbrugger also dwelling at Amsterdam in respect to goods and merchandise, likewise with respect to out standing debts which the subscriber holds in company with said Mr. Verbrugger, also to make a just partition giving him power to give or take *op taxatie* and if need be to substitute one or more persons in his place, promising to hold good and true all that the attorney or his substitute in the matter aforesaid shall have done, provided that he shall make a proper statement and exhibit thereof, on pledge of his person and estate.

Thus done in Fort Orange in New Netherland in presence of Jan Van Aken and Johannes Provoost, as witnesses hereto called on this 14th of September, A.D. 1661.

This is the mark H of GOOSEN GERRITSE.
with his own hand signed.

Appeared before me Johannes La Montagne, in the service of, etc., the honorable Jan Claessen Backer and Lambert Janse Vander Lange both at present about to depart for *Patria*, who together declare in presence of the afternamed witnesses that they have appointed and empowered as by these presents they do, Mr. Francoys Boon in their names to demand, collect and receive all the moneys and debts which are outstanding and

[1] Cornelis Van Ruyven was the provincial secretary residing at New Amsterdam.

coming to either of the subscribers here at Fort Orange in New Netherland according to the evidences and writings thereof; of receipts acquittance to pass, and in case of necessity to compel payment by law and rigor of justice; to that end all the terms of the laws to observe to definitive sentence and extreme execution (also if need be) to proceed by arrest against persons and goods; furthermore all things to do and perform which he, the attorney shall judge proper, provided that he be holden of his transactions and receipts when required a proper statement and return to make, on pledge of his person and estate, personal and real, present and future nothing excepted.

Thus done in Fort Orange, in presence of Sacharias Sickels and Arent Vanden Bergh as witnesses hereto called on this 15th of September, A. D. 1661.

JAN CLAESSE BACKER.
LAMMERT JANSE VANDE LAEN.

Zacharias Sickelse.
This is the mark of AB *Arent Van den Bergh, as witness.*
Acknowledged before me,
LA MONTAGNE, Clerk at Fort Orange.

Appeared before me Johannes La Montagne, in the service of, etc., Cornelis Jacobsen [By] trader, at present about to depart for *Patria* who declares in the presence of the afternamed witnesses that he has appointed and empowered the honorable Evert Wendel commissary of the aforesaid place, in the subscriber's name and for his sake to demand, collect and receive here in Fort Orange in New Netherland such outstanding debts and moneys as to him, the subscriber, are due according to the existing writings and evidences thereof; of receipts acquittance to pass, and if necessary, to further the payment of the aforesaid debts by law and the rigor of justice; to that end all terms of the laws to observe to definitive sentence and extreme execution, also (if need be) to proceed by arrest against persons and goods; furthermore, all things to do and perform which he, the subscriber, being present, might or could do, promising to hold good and true all that the attorney in the matter aforesaid shall have done or performed, provided said attorney be holden when required a proper statement and return of his transactions and receipts to make, on pledge of his person and estate, personal and real, present and future.

Thus done and delivered in Fort Orange, in presence of Sacharias Sickels and Johannes Provoost as witnesses hereto called this 15th of September, A.D. 1661.

CORNELIS JACOBZ.

Zacharias Seckelse.
Johannes Provoost, witness.
Acknowledged before me,
LA MONTAGNE, Clerk at Fort Orange.

Appeared before me Johannes de la Montagne, in the service of, etc., in the presence of Philip Pieterse Schuller and Ariaen Gerritse [Papendorp] commissaries, etc., Adriaen Simonse Bet trader at present dwelling in the village of Beverwyck, who declares that he has granted and trans-

ferred by these presents to the behoof of Barent Pieterse [Coeymans] his heirs or assigns, his house, lot, garden and all their appurtenances according to the patent thereof, said house to possess in real and actual possession, renouncing all claims and pretensions which he the grantor may have upon said house and freeing the same from all actions and claims, on pledge of his person and estate personal and real, present and future, submitting himself to all judges and laws.

Thus done in Fort Orange, the 22d of September, *Anno*, 1661.

ARIAN SYMENSE.

Philip Pietersen.
Adriaen Gerretsen.

Acknowledged before me,

LA MONTAGNE, Clerk at Fort Orange.

Appeared before me, Johannes La Montagne, in the service of, etc., Seger Cornelissen [Van Voorhoudt] who declares that he has granted and transferred as he does by these presents, to Cornelis Cornelissen de Boer certain thirty-four good whole merchantable beaver skins coming to him the subscriber for the first payment on the house of Marcelis Janssen by Asser Levy, purchased at public sale, which thirty-four good beavers the grantor received by conveyance from Marcelis Janssen to be paid by the hand of said Asser Levy as a payment aforesaid, from whom said Cornelis Cornelissen de Boer in place of the subscriber shall obtain receive and use them in full ownership as his other proper estate, without any future claim or action from the grantor; on pledge of his person and estate, personal and real, placing himself under the authority of all laws and judges.

Done in Fort Orange the 27th of September, A.D. 1661, in presence of Johannes Provoost.

SEGER CORNELISSEN.

Johannes Provoost, witness.

Acknowledged before me,

LA MONTAGNE, Clerk at Fort Orange.

Conditions on which the honorable Heeren *Commies* and commissaries of Fort Orange and village of Beverwyck, propose to sell at public sale to the highest bidder the slaughter excise for the time of one year. The farming of the aforesaid slaughter excise shall begin the first of October in the year 1661, and end on the last day of September, A.D. 1662. The farmer shall receive for the slaughtered beasts, whether ox, cow, bull, calf, hog, goat, and sheep, for every guilder of the worth of the same, one stuiver and in case of dispute to be decided by indifferent persons. The farmer shall be holden to furnish two sufficient sureties to the content of the Messieurs contractors for the excise money, a just fourth part to be paid every quarter year in good current seewant, and if the farmer cannot furnish sufficient sureties, it shall be offered for sale again at his cost and charge and whatever less it comes to be worth he shall be holden to make good, and whatever more it becomes worth he shall enjoy no benefit therefrom. Marcelis Janssen [Van Bommel] remained the last bidder for the above farming for the sum of six hundred and eight guilders, for which said sum Cornelis Teunissen Bosch and Gerrit Slichtenhorst offered themselves as sureties and principals for the payment of the

same, on pledge of their persons and estate, personal and real, present and future, and placing themselves under the authority of all laws and judges.

Done in the village of Beverwyck, on the last day of September, A.D. 1661.

MAERCELYS JANSEN.
CORNELIS THONISSEN BOS.
Acknowledged before me, GERRIT SLICHTENHORST.
LA MONTAGNE, Clerk at Fort Orange.

Proposals and conditions on which Reynier Wisselpenningh, proposes to sell at public sale to the highest bidder, his house lot and garden lying in the village of Beverwyck at present occupied by him. *Firstly*, the aforesaid house shall be delivered to the buyer with all that is fast by earth and nailed, together with the lot as it stands; length two and thirty wood feet, with the garden as it stands in fence, adjoining to the south the garden of Gerrit Bancker, to the north the garden of Henderick Gerritsen [Van Wie] except the crop therein. Delivery shall be made on the 20th of next month, October, of the year 1661. * * * *

[This paper is incomplete and unexecuted].

Conditions and proposals on which the *Commies* and commissares, propose in the name and for the sake of the honorable Heeren director general and council of New Netherland, to farm out publickly to the highest bidder, the excise of all wines, beers and distilled liquors to be drawn and consumed by the innkeepers, tapsters and retailers in and about Fort Orange, village of Beverwyck and colony of Rensselaerwyck. The farming out as well as the farming shall be done in accordance with the laudable customs of our fatherland, and in pursuance of the printed ordinance and placards of their high mightinesses the states general promulgated in respect to the finances. The farming shall begin on the first of November [1661], and end on the last of October, A.D. 1662, continuing the space of 12 months, during which time the farmer may collect and receive for all wines, beers, or distilled liquors to be drawn and consumed by the tapsters and innkeepers in or about Fort Orange, village of Beverwyck or colony of Rensselaerwyck as follows:

For a tun of domestic brewed beer,	*f*	4.00
For a tun of foreign beer,	*f*	6.00
For a hogshead of French wine,	*f*	20.00
For an anker of ditto,	*f*	4.00
For an anker of Spanish wine, brandy, mead or distilled liquor,	*f*	7.00
For an anker of ditto,	*f*	2.00

And for greater and less measures in proportion; in beaver or else in seewant at twelve white or six black [seewants] for the stuiver at the choice of the payer. The farmer shall be holden to furnish sufficient sureties to the content of the Messrs. contractors for the excise money to pay every three months in beavers or else in seewant at 12 white or six black [seewants] the stuiver a just fourth part of the promised excise money. To provide against misunderstandings and frauds it is stipulated, and agreed that at the expiration of this farming, when the new farming shall be again made, the new farmer shall have liberty on the day of the new

farming, or the following day, or at furthest within three days after the farming is made, to make a guaging, in presence of the late farmer if he wishes to be present, of the liquors held over by the tapsters and inn-keepers, of which wines, beers or distilled liquors found on hand two-thirds parts of the receipts, or excise due from the old or foregoing farmer is to be returned and made due to his successor, or the following farmer. The messieurs contractors reserve to themselves the interpretation and amplification of these conditions, and promise the farmer all proper aid and assistance.

[This paper is unexecuted].

On this $\frac{10}{18}$ of November, A.D. 1664, Jan Evertse,[1] Barent Meyndersen and Rut Arentsen, shoemakers by trade, affirm and declare that they were sent for at the request of Willem Brouwer, on account of dissatisfaction with some leather which he, Brouwer, says he had received from Abel Hardenk (?); therefore, we the deponents, having examined the leather, found that there was fourteen pounds of sole leather and inner sole leather, two skins of Spanish leather weighing one pound one and a half quarters, also a dressed calf's skin prized at two guilders; which as Willem Brouwer says, should be in payment of six ox hides, he is not content therewith, inasmuch as he has too little for his six hides; which aforesaid facts we attest if need be by our solemn oath.

Done in Albany *ut supra.*

This is the mark of χ JAN EVERTSE.
with his own hand set.
BARENT MEYNDERSE,
RUT ARENTSEN.

We the commissaries of the court of Fort Orange and village of Beverwyck, declare that we have granted and transferred as by these presents we do, to Sander Leendersen Glen, a house and lot lying in the village of Beverwyck on the hill, length and breadth as it lies enclosed in fence, which we do by virtue of an execution made on Marten Herbertsen of date ——, which lot he received by patent from the Heer director general and council of New Netherland, of date 23d of April, A.D. 1652, and as said Sander Leendersen has paid the promised money to the creditors of said Marten Herbertsen, he is freed from all actions, claims or pretensions, which may hereafter arise.

[This paper is not executed].

In the name of the Lord, Amen; Be it known by the contents of this present instrument that in the year of our Lord Jesus Christ sixteen hundred and sixty-four on the $\frac{12}{22}$ of November, appeared before me Johannes Provoost, clerk of the court of Albany, in presence of the officer Johannes La Montagne, and the honorable Jan Verbeeck and Evert Jansen Wendel, orphan masters, Cataryn Anderiese De Vos[2] widow of

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[1] In 1717 one Jan Evertse had a lot on the east corner of Broadway and Maiden Lane.—*Albany Annals* VII, 72. In 1661 he was complained of for smuggling shoes.—*Dutch Manuscript*, IX, 716-7.

[2] Catalyntje Andriese De Vos was a daughter of Andries De Vos deputy director of Rensselaerwyck; her second husband was Barent Janse Van Ditmars whom she married in 1661, and who with his son was killed in the massacre at Schenectady, February 9, 1690. Soon after she married her third husband Claes Janse Van Boekhoven whom she also survived, and died in 1712.

the late Arent Anderiese [Bratt], who declares that for God's honor she purposes a future marriage, and before the consummation of the same, she has consented to the following conditions, to wit: that she assigns to her children left by the said Arent Andriese deceased, named Jesie aged 15 years, Ariaentie aged thirteen years, Anderies aged 11 years, Cornelia aged nine years, Samuel five years and Dirck Anderiese aged three years, and promises to pay to them conjointly, the sum of a thousand guilders in beaver currency, and no more, which they shall together receive as their patrimonial inheritance, each his portion at his majority; for the security of which, she, the subscriber, pledges and specially mortgages, her house and *bouwery* lying at Schanhechtade; whereto by request Anderies de Vos and Juriaen Teunise consent to act as guardians and overseers of said children; furthermore said subscriber promises to bring up said children in the fear of God, to teach them to read and write, to maintain them in food and clothing till their majority and marriage state without diminishing their patrimonial estate; which aforesaid conditions she, the subscriber, promises to abide by without craft or guile, on pledge of her person and estate, personal and real.

Thus done in N. Albany, *datum ut supra.*

This is the mark of ⋊ CATARYN ANDERIES DE VOS,
with her own hand set.

Jan Verbeeck, as meester.
Evert Janse Wendel, also as Weesmyster.
Andryes de Vos.[1]
Jurejan Tunsen.
La Montagne.

Acknowledged before me,

JOHANNES PROVOOST, Clerk.

Appeared before me Johannes Provoost, clerk of the court of Albany, and in the presence of Jan Verbeeck and Jacob Schermerhoorn commissaries of said court, the honorable Sander Lendersen Glen, who declares that he has granted and transferred, as by these presents he does grant and transfer in real and actual possession to and for the behoof of Adriaen Gerritse, attorney for Dirck Janssen Croon, his heirs or assigns, a house and lot lying in the village of Beverwyck on the hill, adjoining to the north the street, to the south Jan Henderickse Van Bael, to the east Jan Tomassen, to the west Wouter Albertse [Vanden Uythoff], of such magnitude as it lies in fence, which he does by virtue of a conveyance to him granted by the Heeren commissaries of Fort Orange, and village of Beverwyck; and the grantor acknowledges that he is fully satisfied and paid for the purchase and delivery of the same, by a deduction from an existing mortgage, of five hundred and seventy-six guilders and interst from the third of January, at ten per cent, together with a hundred guilders in seewant received in cash; wherefore the grantor promises to free the

[1] Andries De Vos deputy director of Renselaerswyck was in Beverwyck as early as 1640, and a magistrate in 1648.— O'Callaghan's *History of New York*, i, 439. Besides Catalyntje he probabl had two other daughters, Cornelia wife of Christoffel Davidts (*Deeds* 164), and —— wife of Cornelis De Vos *alias* Van Schoenderwoert. He had a lot on the west corner of James and Columbia streets (*Annals of Albany*, viii, 243), afterwards owned by Harmanus Wendel 1726 (viii, 312). Also land north of Steuben and west of Pearl streets, (vi, 23, viii, 272); extending from Steuben north on the west side of Pearl street across the *Vossen* kil now Canal street.— *Deeds* 1, 356.

aforesaid house and lot from all actions, claims or pretensions which may, hereafter arise, therefor pledging his person and estate, personal and real, future and present, and submitting himself to all laws and judges.

Done in Albany the $\frac{12}{22}$ of November, A.D. 1664.

SANDER LENRSEN GLEN.

Jan Verbeeck.
Jacob Schemerhoorn.

We the commissiaries of the court of Fort Orange and village of Beverwyck, declare by these presents that we grant and transfer, as by these presents we do, to Sander Leendersen Glen his heirs or assigns, a house and lot lying in the village of Beverwyck on the hill, adjoining to the north the street, to the south Jan Hendericksе Van Bael, to the east Jan Tomasse, and to the west Wouter Albertse Vanden Uythoff] of such magnitude as it lies enclosed in fence; which we do by virtue of an execution issued against the person of Marten Herbertsen, and by public sale, which lot was granted to him by patent of the Heer director general and council of New Netherland on the 23d of April, A.D. 1652, and as said Sander Leendersen has paid the purchase money to the creditors of said Marten Herbertsen, he is free from all claims or pretensions which may hereafter arise, on pledge according to law.

Done in Albany $\frac{12}{22}$ of November, A.D. 1664.

JAN VERBEECK, as Receiver.
JACOB SCHERMERHOOREN.

We the undersigned Cornelis Van Nes and Jan Van Bael commissaries of Albany, colony Rensselaerswyck and Schaneehtede, testify and declare by these presents, that the honorable David Pieterse Schuyler and Wouter Albertse Vanden Uythoff burghers and inhabitants in Albany have appeared before us; and David Pieterse Schuyler by these presents acknowledges and declares by these presents that in true rights, free ownership he grants, transfers, and makes over to and for the behoof of said Wouter Albertse Vanden Uythoff (who by these presents accepts the same), in a certain lot lying in Albany formerly named Beverwyck, together with the house and barn (?) (*vorder getimmer*) by the grantor built, standing thereupon, adjoining to the south and east Sander Leendersen to the north the street, and to the west the grantor; the lot being in length to the east six rods three feet, breadth in front on the street one rod six feet eight inches, to the east of Sander Leendersen length six rods and three feet, and to the west breadth one rod seven feet eight inches; by virtue of a patent for a greater lot to the late Annetie Bogardus granted by the Heer director general and council of New Netherland the 23d of April, 1652, and likewise by virtue of a deed of conveyance by Annetie Bogardus to him delivered on the 22d of December, 1660, perfectly free and unincumbered, with no claims standing upon or growing out of the same save the lord's right, without the grantors having, holding or reserving any further right of ownership, action, or pretension therein; also acknowledging that by the hand of the grantee he is fully paid and satisfied therefor the last penny with the first, and therefore giving *plenam actionem cessam* and full authority to the grantee his heirs, and successors, or those who may receive title from him, to do with, dispose of, and sell, the aforesaid house, lot, and buildings thereon standing, as he

might do with his own patrimonial possessions; with a promise neither to do nor permit anything to be done with or without law in any manner whatsoever against the same, but to free the same from all claims and actions of each and every person, on pledge of his person and estate, personal and real, present and future, nothing excepted, under the authority of all laws and judges.

Done in Albany, on the first day of September, 1665, old style.

DAVYD SCHUILER.
WOUTER ALBERTSEN.

Cornelis Van Nes.
Jan Van Bael.

Acknowledged before me,

D. V. SCHELLUYNE, Secretary 1665.[1]

We, the undersigned, Cornelis Van Nes and Jacob Schermerhoorn, commissaries of Albany, colony Rensselaerwyck and Schanectede, attest and declare by these presents, that Juriaen Theunisse [Glasemaker] and Anthony Janse burghers and inhabitants here, have appeared before us, Juriaen Theunisse acknowledging that in true rights and free ownership he grants, transfers and makes over, and Anthony Janse that he has accepted the grantor's certain house, lot and garden, as the same is built, enclosed and fenced, standing and lying in Albany (formerly named Beverwyck), at present occupied by the grantee, as the same was received by conveyance from Wouter Albertse Vanden Uythoff of date the 2d of February, 1660, also a little piece of a lot included therein purchased from the Heeren commissaries, A.D. 1659, or 1660, according to the declaration of Heeren Jan Verbeeck and Evert Janssen Wendel of date $\frac{26}{6}$ $\frac{\text{Sept.,}}{\text{Oct.,}}$ 1665, the aforesaid house, lot and garden being in length, breadth and boundaries according to the tenor and contents of the aforesaid deeds of conveyance and declaration referred to in these presents and delivered over to the grantee; all free and unencumbered without any claim standing or issuing against the same, save the lord's right, without the grantor's having, holding or reserving any further right or claim of ownership therein, acknowledging according to bill of sale of date the 14th of January, 1662, that he is fully satisfied, content and paid for the same, the last penny with the first, and therefore giving to the grantor his heirs and successors or assigns *plenam actionem cessam* and full authority, to do with, dispose of, and sell the aforesaid house, lot and garden, as he could do with his own patrimonial estate, promising never more, either with or without law in any manner whatsoever to do or suffer any thing to be done against the same but to protect the aforesaid house, lot, and garden against each and every person and to free the same as is lawful, from all actions, trouble and claims, under pledge of his person and estate, personal and real, present and future, nothing excepted, under authority of all laws and judges.

Done in Albany the $\frac{26}{6}$ $\frac{\text{Sept.,}}{\text{Oct.,}}$ 1665.

JUREJAN TUNSEN.
ANTHONY JANSE.

Cornelis Van Nes.
Jacob Schermerhooren.

Acknowledged before me,

D. V. SCHELLUYNE, Secretary, 1665.

[1] This is the first paper acknowledged before Dirk Van Schelluyne as secretary of Albany.

We, the undersigned, Gerard Swart officer, and Jan Van Bael, commissaries of Albany, colony Rensselaerwyck and Schanechtede, attest and declare that upon the date underwritten, Harmen Tomassen [Hun,] of Amersfort, married to the widow of Dirck Bensingh, and Cobus Janssen, appeared before us, Harmen Tomassen acknowledging by these presents, that in true rights, ownership, he has granted, transferred, and made over to Cobus Janssen, who accepts the conveyance, in a certain house and lot, with a garden and what is fast by earth and nailed, as the same stand, enclosed and fenced, in Albany, built by the aforesaid Dirck Bensingh deceased, by virtue of a patent formerly granted to him by the Heer director general and council of New Netherland, of date the 25th of October, 1653, together with a little piece of a lot inclosed in the aforesaid fence, which the grantor received from Jillis Pieterse; adjoining to the east the highway, to the south Lambert Van Neck, to the west also the highway, and to the north Jacob Tyssen Van der Heyden; all free and unincumbered, with no claims standing against, or growing out of the same, save the lord's right, without the grantor's making the least pretension, on said lot any more; and moreover acknowledging that he is fully paid and satisfied therefor, by the hand of Cobus Janssen, the last penny with the first, and therefore giving *plenam actionem cessam*, and full power to said Cobus Janssen, his heirs and successors, or assigns, to do with and dispose of the same, as he could do with his own patrimonial estate, furthermore, promising the said house and lot to free and protect from all trouble and claims of each and every person, as is right, and never more to do or suffer any thing to be done against the same, either with or without law in any manner whatsoever, on pledge of his person and estate, personal and real, nothing excepted, in subjection to all laws and judges.

Done in Albany, the $\frac{19}{9}$ October, 1665.

This mark + is set by Cobus Janssen.

Harmen Thomasse.

As witnsss, G. Swart.
J. V. Bael.

Acknowledged before me,

D. V. Schelluyne, Clerk, 1665.

We, the undersigned, Gerard Swart (*Schout*) and Jan Van Bael, commissary of Albany, colony Rensselaerwyck and Schanechtede, testify and declare, that on the date underwritten, Cobus Janssen and Mr. Jan Verbeeck, appeared before us, Cobus Janssen acknowledging that he has granted and transferred, and in true rights, ownership made over, and Jan Verbeeck holding the power of Frans Barentse Pastoor, that he has accepted, the grantor's certain lot and house, with what is therein fast by earth and nailed, in Albany aforesaid, as the same stands enclosed and fenced, and was received by purchase, by Dirck Bensingh, and by deed of conveyance, delivered this day from Harmen Thomase [Hun] of Amersfort, present husband and guardian of the widow of said Dirck Bensingh, adjoining on the east the highway, on the south Lambert Van Neck, on the west also the highway, and on the north Jacob Thyssen Van der Heyden; all free and unencumbered, with no claim standing, or issuing against the same, save the lord's right, without the grantor's having the least pretension thereto any more, likewise acknowledging

that he is fully paid therefor to his satisfaction, the last penny with the first, and therefore giving *plenam actionem cessam*, and full power to the aforesaid Jan Verbeeck, in his aforesaid character [of attorney], his heirs, successors, or assigns, to do with and dispose of the same, as he might do with his patrimonial estate, promising to protect and free the aforesaid house and lot, from all trouble and claims of each and every person, as is right and never more to do or suffer any thing to be done against the same, either with or without law in any manner whatsoever, on pledge of his person and estate, personal and real, present and future, nothing excepted, subject to all laws and judges.

Done in Albany the $\frac{9}{19}$ of October, 1665.

This mark is set by COBUS + JANSSEN, aforesaid.

JAN VERBEECK.

As witness, G. Swart.
J. V. Bael.

Acknowledged before me,

D. V. SCHELLUYNE, Secretary, 1665.

We the undersigned Cornelis Van Nes and Jan Van Bael, commissaries of Albany, colony Rensselaerswyck and Schanechtede, testify and declare by these presents, that on the day and date underwritten, before us appeared Mr. Jan Verbeeck in character of attorney for Frans Barentse Pastoor and Jacob Tyssen Vander Heyden; the aforesaid Verbeeck acknowledging in his said character that in true rights free ownership he has granted, transferred and made over, and he, Jacob Tyssen Vander Heyden that he had accepted, of a certain house and lot with what is therein fast by earth and nailed, and as the same stands enclosed and fenced, in Albany aforesaid, formerly built by Dirck Bensingh deceased, and received by conveyance from Cobus Janssen, adjoining on the east the highway, on the south Lambert Van Neck, on the west also the highway, and on the north the aforesaid Vander Heyden; all free and unincumbered, with no claim standing or issuing against the same, except the lord's right, without the grantor's having the least pretension thereto any more; likewise acknowledging that he is fully paid and satisfied therefor, the last penny with the first, and therefore giving *plenam actionem cessam* and full power to the aforesaid Jacob Tyssen Vander Heyden, his heirs and successors, or assigns to do with and dispose of the same as he might do with his own patrimonial estate; promising, moreover, to free and protect the aforesaid house and lot from all trouble and claims of each and every person, as is right, and never more to do or suffer anything to be done against the same either with or without law in any manner whatsoever, on pledge of his person and estate, personal and real, present and future, nothing excepted, subject to all laws and judges.

Done in Albany the $\frac{10}{20}$ of October, 1665.

JAN VERBEECK.
JACOB TEYSSEN VANDER HEYDEN.

Cornelis Van Nes.
J. V. Bael.

Acknowledged before me,

D. V. SCHELLUYNE, Secretary, 1665.

We, the undersigned, Arent Van Curlor and Jacob Schermerhooren, commissaries of Albany, Rensselaerswyck and Schanechtade, testify and declare that Volckert Janse [Douw] and Mr. Arien Van Ilpendam in character of trustees of the estate of Andries Herbertsen, and Cornelis Van Nes, husband and guardian of Maritie Damens, last widow of the late Henderick Andriessen [Van Doesburgh], appeared before us; the aforesaid trustees acknowledging that in true rights free ownership they had granted, transferred and made over, and that he, Van Nes, had accepted, of the just half of a house and lot standing and lying in the village of Beverwyck, now called Albany, the other half of which the aforesaid Maritie Damens is the owner, by virtue of a conveyance by Theunis Theunisse *metselaer*, to the behoof of the aforesaid Andries Herbertse delivered on the 19th of February, 1660, with all that is fast therein by earth and nailed, as the same stands enclosed and fenced, adjoining to the north Pieter Adriaense [Soogemackelyk] now Philip Pieterse Schuyler, to the south Adriaen Janse Van Leyden, as it was bid in and bought at public sale by Van Nes on the 29th of April, 1664; all free and unencumbered, with no claim standing or issuing against the same, except the lord's right, without the grantor's having, holding, or reserving any action or claim thereon, likewise acknowledging that they are fully satisfied and paid by the hands of said Van Nes, the last penny with the first, moreover giving *plenam actionem cessam* and full power to the aforesaid Van Nes, his heirs and successors or assigns, to do with, dispose of, and sell the aforesaid just half house and lot, as he could do with his own patrimonial estate; furthermore promising to free and protect the said half house and lot from all trouble and claims of each and every person, as is right, and never more to do or suffer any thing to be done against the same either with or without law in any manner whatsoever, on pledge of their persons and estates, personal and real, present and future, nothing excepted, subject to all laws and judges.

Done in Albany the $\frac{11}{21}$ November, 1665.

VOLKART JANSE.
ADRIAEN VAN ILPENDAM.
CORNELIS VAN NES.

A. Van Curler.
Jacob Schermerhooren.

Acknowledged before me,

D. V. SCHELLUYNE, Secretary, 1665.

We, the undersigned, Arent Van Curlor and Cornelis Van Nes, commissaries of Albany, etc., testify and declare that Mr. Andriaen Van Ilpendam in character of trustee of the estate of Andries Herbertsen, and Volckert Janse [Douw] have appeared before us; acknowledging the aforesaid Mr. Adriaen Van Ilpendam in his aforesaid character, that in true rights, free ownership he had granted transferred and made over, and he, Volckert Janse, that he had accepted of the half island that belongs to him, Adries Herbertsen, and Rutger Jacobsen deceased together in company, according to patent by the Heer director general and council of New Netherland granted, of date the 19th of March 1661, and as he, Volckert Janse, bid off and bought the same at public sale on the 26th of June, 1663; free and unincumbered with no claim standing or issuing against the same, except the lord's right; said island lies in the

North river in the aforesaid colony below Fort Albany; without the grantor's having, holding or reserving any right, claim or action any more therein, likewise acknowledging that he is fully satisfied and paid therefor through the hand of said Volckert Janse the last penny with the first, giving therefore *plenam actionem cessam* and full power to the aforesaid Volckert Janse, his heirs and successors to do with, dispose of and sell the aforesaid half island as he could do with his own patrimonial estate, promising to protect and free the aforesaid half island from all trouble and claims of each and every person as is right, and never more to do or suffer anything to be done against the same either with or without law in any manner, on pledge of his person and estate, personal and real, present and future, nothing excepted, subject to all laws and judges.

Done in Abany the $\frac{11}{21}$ of November, 1665.

ADRIAEN VAN ILPENDAM.
VOLKART JANSE.

A. Van Curler.
Cornelis Van Nes,
Acknowledged before me,

D. V. SCHELLUYNE, Secretary, 1665.

We, the undersigned, Arent Van Curlor and Cornelis Van Nes, commissaries of Albany, etc., testify and declare, that on the date of these presents, Volckert Janse [Douw] and Mr. Adriaen Van Ilpendam as trustees of the estate of Andries Herbertse, Constapel, appeared before us and acknowledged that in true rights, free ownership they had granted, transferred and made over to and for the behoof of Anthony Janse who accepts this conveyance, of a certain lot for a garden, allotment No. 18, adjoining to the south Pieter Hartgers, north and east the highway, and west Jacob *de Brouwer*, breadth four and a half rods and length seven rods, as the same lies in fence in the village of Beverwyck now called Albany; by virtue of a patent for a larger lot by the Heer director general and council of New Netherland granted to the aforesaid Andries Herbertsen of date the 25th of October, 1653; free and unincumbered with no claim standing or issuing against the same except the lord's right; and without the grantors' having, holding or reserving any further action or claim on the same; likewise acknowledging that they are fully satisfied and paid therefor the last penny with the first; and therefore giving *plenam actionem cessam* and full power to the aforesaid Anthony Janse his heirs and successors or assigns, to do with, and dispose thereof, as he might do with his own patrimonial estate, therefore promising to protect and free the same from all trouble and claims of each and every person, as is right, with a further promise never more to do or suffer anything to be done against the same either with or without law in any manner, on pledge of their persons and estates nothing excepted, subject to all laws and judges.

Done in Albany, the $\frac{11}{21}$ of November, 1665.

VOLKART JANSE.
ADRIAEN VAN ILPENDAM.
ANTHONY JANSE.

A. Van Curler.
Cornelis Van Nes.
Acknowledged before me,

D. V. SCHELLUYNE, Secretary 1665.

We the undersigned Cornelis Van Nes and Jan Van Bael, commissaries, of Albany, etc., testify and declare that on the date underwritten, before us appeared William Janse Schut, dwelling in the aforesaid colony, who declares that in true rights free ownership he had granted, transferred and made over by these presents, to and for the behoof of Cornelis Bogardus, the grantor's certain house and lot as it came to him from Andries Herbertse, constapel (being the house which the grantor himself caused to be erected on the lot) standing and lying here in Albany, extending from the aforesaid Constapel's gate to the fence of Tryn Claesse, and further, as the same is enclosed and fenced, according to bill of sale of date the fourth of August, 1662, and other evidences thereof; without the grantor's having, holding or reserving the least action or claim any more against the same; likewise acknowledging that he is fully satisfied and paid therefor, by the hands of Johannes Withart, the last penny with the first; namely, with the sum of eighty-five whole merchantable beaver skins; therefore giving *plenam actionem cessam* and full power to the aforesaid Bogardus, his heirs and successors, or the aforesaid Withart, who by virtue of the aforesaid payment has right and claim thereto, to do with and dispose of the aforesaid house and lot as he might do with his own patrimonial estate and effects, promising never more to do or to suffer any thing to be done against the same either with or without law in any manner, on pledge of his person and estate, personal and real, present and future, nothing excepted, subject to all laws and judges.

Done in Albany, $\frac{6}{16}$ of May, 1666.

WILLEM JANSEN SCHUET.[1]

Cornelis Van Nes.
Jan Van Bael.

Acknowledged before me,

D. V. SCHELLUYNE, Secretary, 1666.

We the undersigned, Arent Van Curlor and Cornelis Van Nes, commissaries of Albany, etc., testify and declare by these presents that on the date underwritten before us appeared Jochem Wesselse Backer, attorney for Pieter Janse *de Boer* dwelling in the aforesaid colony, who declares that in true rights free ownership, he has granted, transferred and made over, by these presents to and for the behoof of Henderick Bries, shoemaker here in Albany, in a certain house and lot, which he, Bries, purchased of Pieter Janse and at present occupies, by virtue of a patent and of the conveyance thereof of date the 29th of June, 1663, received by him from Jan Lambertse Van Bremen, all according to the purport and contents of the aforesaid deed of conveyance, to which reference has been made in these presents, and which with these presents, shall be handed over to him, Bries, giving him his heirs and successors full power to do with the same as he might do with his own patrimonial estates and effects, without the grantor's (in his aforesaid character) having the least claim thereto any more; likewise acknowledging that he is fully satisfied and paid the last penny with the first, and therefore promising to protect and free the aforesaid house and lot from all trouble and claims of each and every person as is right and especially from the mortgage

[1] W. J. Schuet, was a tailor in Beverwyck in 1651.—*Deeds*, i, 181; ii, 11.

which Pieter Ryverdyngh, has upon the aforesaid house and lot of date the 10th of June, 1664, and for which Jochem Wesselse Backer aforenamed by these presents substitutes him in his place as surety and principal, the grantor and surety promising, furthermore, never more to do or suffer anything to be done against the same, with or without law in any manner, on pledge according to law; all sincere and in good faith.

Done in Albany, on the $\frac{8}{18}$ of June, 1666.

JOCHEM BACKER.

A Van Curler.
Cornelis Van Nes.

Acknowledged before me,

D. V. SCHELLUYNE, Secretary, 1666.

We, the undersigned, Arent Van Curlor and Richard Van Renselaer, commissaries of Albany, etc., testify and declare by these presents, that on the underwriten date, before us appeared Volckert Janse for Hendrick Jochemse, who declares by virtue of a patent and conveyance of date the 23d of April 1652, and 16th of April of the year 1661, respectively thereof, likewise according to the bill of sale of date of $\frac{10}{20}$ February, also of this year 1666, that in true rights free ownership he has granted and transferred to and for the behoof of Philip Pieterse Schuyler, in a part of the lot of the aforenamed Hendrick Jochemse and the garden over the back street; the lot extending along the street thirty wood feet, in length to the rear to the fence of the brewery of Harmen Rutgers, breadth there the same, the little alley that runs to the garden being comprehended therein, said aforesaid part lot, and garden lies here in Albany, bounded according to the purport and contents of the aforesaid bill of sale, to which in these presents reference is made, as also by the aforesaid conveyance in the Esopus by Femmetie Albertse widow of Hendrick Janse Westercamp deceased, delivered to the aforesaid Hendrick Jochemse; without the grantor's (in his aforesaid charter) making the last claim any more to the same, likewise acknowledging that he is fully satisfied and paid therefor, the last penny with the first by the hand of the aforesaid Schuyler, therefore giving full power to the aforesaid Schuyler, his heirs and successors or assigns, to do with and dispose thereof as he might do with his own patrimonial estate and goods, promising to protect and free the aforesaid part of lot and garden from all trouble, claims and liens of each and every person as is right, and furthermore never more to do or suffer anything to be done against the same either with or without law in any manner on pledge according to law.

Done in Albany the $\frac{9}{19}$ of June, 1666.

VOLKART JANSE.

A Van Curler.
R. V. Rensselaer.

Acknowledged before me,

D. V. SHELLYUNE Secretary, 1666.

We the undersigned Jacob Schermerhoorn and Jan Van Bael, commissaries of Albany, etc., testify and declare by these presents that on the date underwritten, before us appeared Jurriaen Janse Groenwout,

husband and guardian of Maritie Tomasse Mingael, deceased, last widow of the late Cornelis Theunisse Van Westbroeck,[1] and Poulus Martense Van Benthuysen, acknowledging, and he Jurriaen Janse declared that in true rights free ownership he had transferred to and for the behoof of Poulus Martense, in a certain lot upon which he, Poulus, has built a house, which aforesaid lot as enclosed, fenced and bounded lies here in Albany, as now occupied by Poulus Martense, by virtue of a bill of sale of date the 24th of April, 1660, and of a patent for a larger lot of date the 23d of April, 1652, also according to further proofs derived from a highway cut off from this lot, and released from the aforesaid Paulus Martense, furthermore on condition that the fence on the south side, (which now Mary Dyckman[2] has in use, or dwells next to it) on neither side shall be built up without the assent and permission of both parties; without the grantor's making the least claim thereto any more, likewise acknowledging that he is fully satisfied and paid therefor the last penny with the first, therefore giving him the aforesaid Paulus Martense, his heirs and successors or assigns full power and authority to dispose of the aforesaid lot as he might do with his own patrimonial estate, promising at all times to protect and free the aforesaid lot from all trouble and actions of each and every person as is right, and furthermore never more to do or suffer anything to be done against the same, either with or without law in any manner, on pledge of his person and estate, personal and real nothing excepted, subject to all laws and judges.

Done in Albany, the $\frac{26}{6}$ July, 1666.

This mark is set by JURRIAEN JANSE,[3] aforesaid.

POULUS MARTEN.

Jacob Schermerhooren.
Jan Van Bael.
Jan Verbeeck, as guardian.
Stoffel Janse Abeel, as guardian.

In my presence,

D. V. SCHELLUYNE, Secretary, 1666.

We, the undersigned, Arent Van Curler and Abraham Staets commissaries of Albany etc., testify and declare, that on the date underwritten, before us appeared Tjarck Claesse De With[1] farmer in the Esopus, who declares that he has granted, transferred and in true rights free ownership made over by these presents to and for the behoof of Mr. Jeronimus Ebbingh, merchant of New York, in his certain house and lot standing and lying here in Albany, adjoining to the east the highway, on the south side of Hendrick De Backer, on the west side the garden of Hendrick Andriesse [Van Doesburgh] and Lambert Van Neck, and on the north side the garden of Lambert Van Neck, said lot being in breadth in front

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[1] C. T. Van Westbroeck or Bos, came to Beverwyck in 1631.

[2] Maria Bosyns wife of Johannes Dyckman late *commies* or officer at Fort Orange.

[3] Jurriaen Janse Groenwont was a licensed butcher in Albany in 1670.— *Albany Annals*, iv, 19. Still living in 1677.— *Deeds* 1, 359.

[4] T. C. De Witt, was a citizen of Beverwck 1657 to 1663 when he was at Esopus.— *Deeds*, ii, 236; *Dutch manuscripts*, xv, 48.

on the street thirty-two wood feet and four inches, and in length ten rods, as the aforesaid lot was received by him by purchase and delivery from the late Dirck Bensingh, according the deed of conveyance thereof, and the house thereon built by the grantor; with whatever is fast by earth and nailed, free and unincumbered, with no claim standing or issuing against the same, save the lord's right, acknowledging that he, the grantor, is fully paid and satisfied therefor, by certain lands in the Esopus by way of exchange with said Ebbingh and his wife, Madam Johanna De Laet, received by conveyance of date the 11th of September, 1660, without the grantor's having, holding or reserving the least claim or action any more against the said house and lot, but releasing the same to said Ebbingh his heirs and successors or assigns; promising to protect and free said house and lot from all trouble, actions and incumbrance of each and every person, and furthermore never more to do or suffer anything to be done against the same, either with or without law, in any manner whatsoever, on pledge of his person and estate, personal and real, present and future, nothing excepted, subject to all laws and judges.

Done in Albany the $\frac{14}{24}$ of July, 1666.

TIERCK CLAESSEN DE WITT.

A. Van Curler.
Abraham Staes.

Acknowledged before me,

D. V. SCHELLUYNE, Secretary, 1666.

We, the undersigned, Jan Van Bael and Abraham Staes, commissaries of Albany, etc., declare by these presents that on the day under written before us appeared, Bastiaen De Winter dwelling at Schanechtade aforesaid, who declares that he has appointed and empowered by these presents Daniel Janse Van Antwerpen,[1] the bearer of this, proposing to depart for Holland, to demand, collect and receive of Mr. Anthony Moore, merchant, at present dwelling at Amsterdam, or wherever his residence may be, a certain sum of one hundred and seventy-seven guilders at 20 stuivers each, the same being due to Mr. Mathys Oosterman dwelling at Meuwes (?) in the Caribean islands, according to obligation of date the 15th of May, 1655, whose right and action the subscriber has by assignment of date the 26th of June, 1658, in the English tongue, whereof a translation and copy of the obligation is placed in the lands of the attorney with this power; for receipts on the same acquittance to pass; if necessity require it to parry all demands, and in case of refusal to constrain him to payment of the aforesaid sum with cost, damage and interest on the same, with law and rigor of justice, to which end all terms of the laws according to the custom of the place to observe to sentence and extreme execution *van dien in clays;* with power one or more persons *ad lites tantum* in his place to substitute, likewise to compromise, arrange and postpone, and furthermore to do, transact and perform what he shall think needful and proper; promising at all times to hold good all that shall be done and performed in the matter aforesaid by the attorney and his sub-

[1] D. J. Van Antwerpen was one of the early settlers of Schenectady. He was born in 1635, and by Mary Groot his wife had a numerous family. Besides a house lot in Schenectady he owned the Third Flat on the south side of the Mohawk river, about eight miles above the village.

stitute, without any gainsaying, provided that the attorney be holden when requested to make a proper statement of his aforesaid transactions and receipts. In confirmation of the same the *comparant* has in our presence subscribed this with his own hand in Albany the $\frac{15}{25}$ of July, 1666.

BASTEIAEN DE WINTER.[1]

Jan Van Bael.
Abram Staes.
Acknowledged before me,

D. V. SCHELLUYNE, Secretary, 1666.

We, the undersigned, Jacob Schermerhooren and Cornelis Van Nes, commissaries of Albany, etc., testify and declare, on the date underwritten, that before us appeared Theunis Willemse, husbandman, young man born in the district of Utrecht at Heyvelt, who declares that he has appointed and empowered by these presents his sister Evertie Willemse dwelling at Utrecht aforesaid with the honorable Heer Van Wulven, specially to demand, collect and receive from the heirs of the late Willem Theunise his deceased uncle, or whom it concerns, payment and satisfaction of an order entrusted with his aforesaid sister upon the aforesaid heirs and others, for what was inherited by him from his father Willem Theunise deceased, and his uncle Barent Theunise deceased, according to the tenor and contents of the aforesaid order; for receipts of the same acquittance to pass, and in case of delay to bring said order to execution, and all terms of the laws to observe according to the customs of the place, to which end if it be needful one or more persons or attorneys (*procureurs*) to substitute in her place *ad lites;* likewise to compromise, arrange and assign; and furthermore all things to do, transact and perform, which are needful and she may think proper; promising at all times to hold good all that his sister aforesaid and her substitute in the matter aforesaid shall do and perform without any opposition, provided that she be holden when requested, to make a proper statement of her transactions and receipts.

Done in Albany, the $\frac{17}{27}$ of July, 1666.

This mark is set by
THEUNIS WILLEMSE, aforesaid.

Jacob Schermerhooren.
Cornelis Van Nes.
Acknowledged before me,

D. V. SCHELLUYNE, Secretary, 1666.

We, the undersigned, Cornelis Van Nes and Rychard Van Rensselaer, commissaries of Albany, etc., testify and declare that on the date underwritten, appeared before us, Nicolaes Meyer, merchant at New York at present here in Albany, who declares that in true rights, free ownership, he has granted, transferred and made over by these presents to and for the behoof of Daniel Rinehout dwelling in Albany in a certain garden

[1] B. De Winter, a native of Middleburgh, early settled in Schenectady, where he sold, in 1670, his house, lot, and *bouwery* upon the Groote Vlachte to Jean Labatie, Elias Van Guysling and Joris Aertse Van der Baast. He was probably deceased before 1678 when the Dutch church of Albany claimed and probably obtained his property for the use of the poor.— *English Manuscripts*, xxvii, 169, 180. *Notarial Papers. Deeds*, ii, 788-9.

lying in Albany aforesaid, in magnitude according to the survey bill thereof (*meet brief*) of the surveyor, and bounded according to the tenor and contents of the deed of conveyance delivered by Leendert Philipse [Conyn] to the behoof of the grantor on the 23d of August, 1663, in Fort Orange, by virtue of said deed of conveyance and of a bill of sale of date the first of July, 1665, and a later deed of confirmation put on the back of the bill of sale and subscribed by Rinchout of date the 30th of April, 1666, together with a following sentence, of the honorable court here, of date the $\frac{5}{15}$ of this month, to all of which reference is made; without the grantor's having, holding or reserving the least action or claim any more on the aforesaid garden; likewise acknowledging that he is fully satisfied and paid therefor through the hands of the aforenamed Rinchout the last penny with the first, and therefore giving *plenam actionem cessam*, and full power and authority to the aforenamed Rinchout, his heirs and successors or assigns, to do with, dispose of and transact with the aforesaid garden, as he might do with his own patrimonial lands and effects; promising also to protect and free the same from all trouble, actions and claims of each and every person; and furthermore never more to do or suffer any thing to be done against the same, either with or without law, in any manner whatsoever, under pledge of his person and estate, personal and real, nothing excepted, subject to all laws and judges.

Done in Albany, the $\frac{19}{29}$ of July, 1666.

NICOLAES D. MEYER.

Cornelis Van Nes.
Richard Van Rensselaer.

Acknowledged before me,

D. V. SCHELLUYNE, Secretary, 1666.

We, the undersigned, Jan Van Bael and Jacob Schermerhooren, commissaries of Albany, etc., testify and declare by these presents, that before us appeared Anthony Janse, innkeeper here in Albany, who acknowledges, that he is well and honestly indebted to Jan Van Aecken, in the quantity of five and seventy good merchantable beavers, and to Goosen Gerritse [Van Schaick] for five and twenty beavers, growing out of a matter of money lent on the 2d of September, 1662, to his satisfaction received and employed for the first payment for the house and lot which he at present occupies, transferred to him by Jurriaen Theunisse; which aforesaid respective sums of seventy-five and twenty-five beavers, with proper interest on the same, commencing on the 2d of September, 1662, aforesaid, and running to the full and complete payment, he, the subscriber, promises to pay punctually within the time of one year from date without longer delay, therefor pledging his person and estate, personal and real, present and future, nothing excepted, especially the aforesaid house and lot, to secure the payment thereof if needful, without cost or loss, subject to all laws and judges.

Done in Albany the $\frac{9}{19}$ of August, 1666.

ANTHONY JANSE.

Jan Van Bael.
Jacob Schermerhooren.

Acknowledged before me,

D. V. SCHELLUYNE, Secretary, 1666.

We, the undersigned, Abraham Staets and Cornelis Van Nes, commissaries of Albany, etc., testify and declare, that before us appeared Cornelis Wyncoop, who declares that in true rights, free ownership, he has granted, transferred and made over by these presents, to Claes Ripse [Van Dam] in his certain house and lot which he received by conveyance from Marcelis Janse [Van Bommel], according to conditions of purchase at public vendue on the 10th and 17th of January, 1658, with all that is fast by earth and nailed, and in length and breadth according to the tenor and contents of the aforesaid deed of conveyance and conditions referred to in these presents, as the aforesaid house and lot stands and lies here in Albany, without the grantor's making the least pretension or demand against the same any more; likewise acknowledging that he is fully paid and satisfied therefor by the hands of Claes Ripsen [Van Dam] the last penny with the first, and therefore giving *plenam actionem cessam*, and full authority to the aforenamed Claes Ripsen, his heirs and successors or assigns, to do with and dispose of the aforesaid house and lot as he could do with his own patrimonial estate; promising moreover to protect and free the aforesaid house and lot from all trouble, claims and actions of each and every person as is right; and furthermore never to do or suffer anything to be done against the same, either with or without law, in any manner whatsoever, on pledge of his person and estate, personal and real, nothing excepted, subject to all laws and judges.

Done in Albany the $\frac{15}{25}$ of August, 1666.

Abram Staes. CORNELIS WYNCKOOP.
Cornelis Van Nes.

In my presence, D. V. SCHELLUYNE, Secretary, 1666.

We, the undersigned, Cornelis Van Nes and Jacob Schermerhoorn, commissaries of Albany, etc., testify and declare, that on the date underwritten, before us appeared Mr. Jan Verbeeck, attorney for his brother-in-law Theunis Cornelisse [Slingerland], who declares that, by virtue of a patent for a greater lot of date 23d of April, 1652, in true rights, free ownership, he had granted, transferred and made over by these presents, to and for behoof of Willem Bout, in a certain lot received by him, Theunis Cornelise, lying here in Albany, adjoining to the north Jacques Thyssen [Vander Heyden], east and south the aforesaid Theunis Cornelise, and to the west the public street, the lot being in breadth in front and rear three rods Rynland measure, and in length as long as the lot of Jacques Thyssen aforesaid; without Theunis Cornelisse having the least claim on the aforesaid lot, also acknowledging that he is fully paid and satisfied therefor by the hands of said Willem Bout, the last penny with the first, and therefor giving *plenam actionem cessam*, and perfect power and authority to the aforesaid Willem Bout, his heirs and successors, to do therewith as he might do with his own patrimonial effects; promising to protect and free the said lot from all trouble, actions and claims of each and every person as is right, and furthermore, never more to do or suffer anything to be done against the same, either with or without law, in any manner whatsoever, on pledge of his person and estate, nothing excepted, subject to all laws and judges.

Done in Albany the $\frac{27}{8}$ of August, of September, 1666.

Cornelis Van Nes. JAN VERBEECK.
Jacob Schermerhooren.

In my presence, D. V. SCHELLUYNE, Secretary, 1666.

We, the undersigned, Jan Van Bael and Abraham Staes, commissaries of Albany, etc., testify and declare that on the date underwritten, before us appeared Claes Ripsen [Van Dam] master carpenter here in Albany, who declares, that in true rights, free ownership, he had granted, transferred and made over by these presents to and for the behoof of Omy La Grand, master tailor, in a certain house and lot (together with the just lowermost half of the lot lying thereby, to be measured from the top to the bottom, as the lot stands in its enclosure and fence), standing and lying here in Albany, and by him, La Grand, at present occupied, according to the bill of sale of date $\frac{16}{26}$ of January last, and by virtue of a conveyance of a greater lot from Cornelis Wyncoop to him delivered on the $\frac{15}{25}$ of the month of August last, whereto reference is herein made, without the grantor's making the least claim any more to said house, lot and just half lot; also acknowledging that he is fully paid and satisfied by the hands of said La Grand therefor, the last penny with the first, and therefore giving *plenam actionem cessam*, and full power and authority to the aforesaid La Grand,[1] his heirs and successors, to do with and sell the same as he might do with his own patrimonial effects; furthermore promising to protect and free the aforesaid house lot and just half lot from all trouble, actions and claims of each and every person as is right, and never more to do or suffer anything to be done against the same, with or without law, in any manner whatsoever, on pledge of his person and estate, nothing excepted, subject to all laws and judges.

Done in Albany the $\frac{21}{31}$ of August, 1666.

CLAES RIPSEN VAN DAM.

Jan Van Bael.
Abram Staes.

Acknowledged before me,

D. V. SCHELLUYNE, Secretary, 1666.

We, the undersigned, Abraham Staets and Jan Van Bael, commissaries of Albany, etc., testify and declare by these presents, that on the date underwritten, before us appeared Willem Bout, who declared by these presents, that in true rights, free ownership, he had granted, transferred and made over to and for the behoof of Jan Clute, in a certain house and lot standing and lying in Albany, adjoining to the north Jacques Thyssen [Van der Heyden], to the east the lot on which the mill of Heer Rensselaer has stood, to the south Theunis Cornelisse and to the west the highway; by virtue of a conveyance passed on this $\frac{27\text{th of August,}}{8\text{th of September,}}$ 1666, breadth in front on the street thirty wood feet, and length to the aforesaid lot of Heer Rensselaer; without the grantor's making the least claim thereto any more, likewise acknowledging that he is fully paid and satisfied therefor by the hands of Jan Clute, the last penny with the first, and therefore giving *plenam actionem cessam*, and full power and authority to the aforesaid Jan Clute, his heirs and successors, to do with the same as he could do with his own patrimonial effects; promising moreover to protect and free the same from all trouble, claims and actions of all and every person as is right, and furthermore, never more to do or suffer anything to be done against the

[1] Omy De La Grange had by his wife, Annetje De Vries, five sons, Omy, Johannes, Christiaan, and Isaac, all of whom had families. The father early purchased land on the Normans kil, where most of his sons settled.

same, either with or without law, in any manner whatsoever, on pledge of his person and estate, nothing excepted, subject to all laws and judges.

Done in Albany the $\frac{27\text{th of August,}}{8\text{th of September,}}$ 1666.

This mark is set by
WILLEM BOUT, aforenamed.

Abram Staes.
Jan Van Bael.

Acknowledged before me,

D. V. SCHELLUYNE, Secretary, 1666.

In Beverwyck, *Anno* 1656, on the 13th of May, we, the undersigned commissaries, acknowledge that we have contracted and agreed with Jan Van Aecken, that we shall have the liberty to set the church as far on his smithy (*in syn smit*), as the width of the door, on condition that we set up his house according to the regulation (*op de Rooye*) of Rem Janssen [*Smit*], and leave a proper lot for the bakery and remove the great house at our own expense. Was subscribed,

RUTGER JACOBSEN.
ANDRIES HERBERTSEN.
This is the mark H of GOOSEN GERRITSE [VAN SCHAIOK.]
DIRCK JANSSEN CROON.

This is the mark of JAN VAN AECKEN.

Jacob Janse Schermerhoorn.
Philip Pieterse [*Schuyler*].

After a collation with the original of date, and subscription as above, this copy was found to agree therewith.

In Albany the $\frac{16}{26}$ of March, 1667.

By me

D. V. SCHELLUYNE, Secretary, 1667.

We, the undersigned, Arent Van Curler and Richard Van Rensselaer, commissaries of Albany, etc., testify and declare that on the date underwritten before us appeared Jan Coster Van Aecken, dwelling here in Albany, who acknowledges by these presents, according to agreement with the Heeren commissaries, made the 13th of May, 1656, and by virtue of a patent of a larger lot, of date the 25th of October, 1653, committed to the care of Carsten Frederickse Smith, likewise according to a bill of sale of date the $\frac{29}{19}$ December, 1665, that in true rights, free ownership he has granted, transferred and made over to and for the behoof of Jan Clute, in the grantor's certain house and lot, in length and breadth as the same stands enclosed and fenced here in Albany, bounded according to the purport of said bill of sale, without the grantor's making the least claim thereto any more, likewise acknowledging that he is fully paid and satisfied therefor by Jan Clute, namely, with the sum of sixty beavers by him received, and a mortgage for the sum of four hundred and fifty guilders in

beavers, passed by Jan Clute to his behoof; therefore giving *plenam actionem cessam*, and full power to the aforenamed Jan Clute, his heirs and successors or assigns, to do therewith as he might do with his own patrimonial effects; promising to protect and free the aforesaid house and lot from all trouble, actions and liens according to the aforesaid bill of sale, of all and every person as is right, and furthermore never more to do or suffer any thing to be done against the same, either with or without law, in any manner whatsoever, on pledge of his person and estate, personal and real, nothing excepted, subject to all laws and judges.

Done in Albany the $\frac{16}{26}$th of March, 1667.

JAN KOSTER.

A. Van Curler.
R. V. Rensselaer.

In my presence, D. V. SCHELLUYNE, Secretary, 1667.

We, the undersigned, Richard Van Rensselaer and Philip Pieterse Schuyler, commissaries of Albany, etc., testify and declare that on the date underwritten, before us appeared Jan Coster Van Acken, who declared, by virtue of a patent for a greater lot granted by the Heer director general and council of New Netherland, to Albert Gerritse, of date the 23d of April, A.D. 1652, in the keeping of Mr. Adriaen Van Ilpendam, that in true rights, free ownership, by these presents he had granted, transferred and made over, to and for the behoof of Gerrit Banckert, in the grantor's certain house and lot, standing and lying here in Albany at present occupied by Jan Dareth, adjoining to the north Jan Van Eeckelen, and to the south Myndert Frederickse, as the same stands enclosed and fenced, breadth in front on the street three rods and four feet, in the rear ten and a half feet Rynland measure, according to the survey bill of the surveyor, Harmen Bastiaense [Visscher] of date the $\frac{12}{22}$th of March, 1667, without the grantor's making the least claim thereon any more, also acknowledging that he is fully paid and satisfied therefor, the last penny with the first, and therefore giving *plenam actionem cessam*, and full power to the aforenamed Gerrit Banckert or his assigns, to dispose thereof as he might do with his own patrimonial effects; promising to protect and free the aforesaid house and lot for his sake from all actions, trouble and claims of all and every person as is right, and furthermore, never to do nor suffer anything to be done against the same, with or without law, in any manner whatsoever, on pledge of his person and estate, nothing excepted, subject to all laws and judges.

Done in Albany the $\frac{8}{18}$ of April, 1667.

Richard Van Rensselaer. JAN KOSTER.
Philip Pieterse Schuyler.

In my presence, D. V. SCHELLUYNE, Secretary, 1667.

[Copy.]

Harmen Albertse Vedder declares by these presents that in true and free ownership he transfers and makes over to Gerrit Banckert, by these presents, the house and lot mentioned in the last conveyance, without his laying claim any more thereto, likewise acknowledging that he is fully paid and satisfied therefor, the last penny with the first, promising to protect and free the same from all trouble and claims of all persons as is right, and never more to do or suffer anything to be done against the same, either

with or without law in any manner, on pledge of his person and estate, nothing excepted, subject to all laws and judges.

Done in Albany the $\frac{8}{18}$ of April, 1667, in presence of Heeren commissaries Philip Pieterse Schuyler and Richard Van Rensselaer.

Was subscribed, HARMEN VEEDER.

Philip Pieterse Schuyler.
R. V. Rensselaer.

In my presence,

D. V. SCHELLUYNE, Secretary.

NOTE. The original of this paper stands on the conveyance passed before the vice director and *commys* La Montagne, of date the 14th of September, 1658.

We, the undersigned, Philip Pieterse Schuyler and Goosen Gerritse [Van Schaick], commissaries of Albany, etc., testify and declare that on the date underwritten, before us appeared Jurriaen Janse Groenewout, husband and guardian of Maritie Thomassen, last widow of the late Cornelis Theunisse Bos, assisted by Mr. Jan Verbeeck and Stoffel Janse Abeel, also appointed guardians of Weyntie Cornelisse, infant daughter of the aforenamed Cornelis Theunisse and Maritie Thomasse, who declared that in true rights, free ownership, they do grant, transfer and make over by these presents to and for the behoof of Symon Volckertse [Veeder de] *Backer*, dwelling at present at Schanechtade, in a lot lying here in Albany, whereon said Symon Volckertse has caused a house to be built, the lot being to the south along a common road twenty rods nine feet, to the west the street breadth four rods, to the north Theunis Cornelisse length twenty rods nine feet, to the east the river breadth nine feet, according to the survey bill of the surveyor, Jan Roeloffse, of date the 1st of April, 1661, by virtue of the patent granted by the Heer director general and council of New Netherland, to him, the late Bos, of date the 23d of April, A.D. 1652; without the grantor's in the aforesaid character, or in any manner, making the least demand or claim thereto any more, his aforenamed wife before the date of her marriage with the grantor, her present husband, acknowledging that she is fully paid and satisfied therefor, the last penny with the first, and therefore giving *plenam actionem cessam*, full authority and power to the aforenamed Symon Volckertse, his heirs and successors or assigns, to do with and dispose of the aforesaid lot and house thereon built, as he might do with his own patrimonial goods and effects; promising to protect and free the said lot from all trouble, actions and liens of all persons as is right, and furthermore never to do nor suffer anything to be done against the same, either with or without law, in any manner, on pledge of his person and estate, real and personal, nothing excepted, subject to all laws and judges.

Done in Albany the $\frac{9}{19}$ of April, 1667.

This mark is set by,
JURRIAEN JANSE GROENEWOUT, aforesaid.

JAN VERBEECK.
STOFFEL JANSE ABEEL.

Philip Schuyler.
Goosen Gerritse.

In my presence, D. V. SCHELLUYNE, Secretary, 1667.

We, the undersigned, commissaries of Albany, etc., testify and declare, that on the date underwritten, before us appeared Jurriaen Janse Groenewout, husband and guardian of Maritie Thomasse, last widow of the late Cornelis Theunisse Bos, assisted by Messrs. Jan Verbeeck and Stoffel Janse Abeel, likewise the appointed guardians of Weyntie Cornelisse, infant daughter of the aforenamed Cornelis Theunisse and Maritie Thomasse, who declare that in true rights, free ownership they grant, transfer and make over by these presents to and for the behoof of Huybert Janse, in a certain lot, in length on the north side seven rods and nine feet, on the south side eight rods and ten feet, on the east side two rods six feet, and on the west side two rods, likewise a garden over the highway lying on the river side, in length on the north and south sides four rods, in breadth on the west side two rods and seven feet, and on the east side three rods, both lot and garden lying in Albany and adjoining on the south side the grantor, on the west and north sides the street, and on the east side the river; by virtue of a patent for a greater lot of date the 23d of April, 1652, granted to the aforesaid Cornelis Theunisse by the director general and council of New Netherland; without the grantors' making the least claim thereto any more, Huybert Janse having fully paid for the same, the last penny with the first, and therefore giving *plenam actionem cessam*, and full power to the aforenamed Huybert Janse, his heirs and successors or assigns, to do with and dispose thereof as he might do with his own patrimonial lands; promising to protect and free the aforesaid lot and garden from all trouble, actions and liens of all persons as is right, and furthermore never to do nor suffer anything to be done against the same, either with or without law, in any manner, on pledge of their persons and estates, personal and real, nothing excepted, subject to all laws and judges.

Done in Albany $\frac{9}{19}$ of April, 1667.

This mark is set by JURRIAEN JANSE GROENEWOUT.

JAN VERBEECK.
STOFFEL JANSE ABEEL.

Philip Pieterse Schuyler.
Goosen Gerritsen.

In my presence,

D. V. SCHELLUYNE, Secretary, 1667.

We, the undersigned, commissaries of Albany, etc., testify and declare, that on the date underwritten, before us appeared Jurriaen Janse Groenewout, burgher and inhabitant here in Albany, husband and guardian of Maritie Thomase Mingael, last widow of the late Cornelis Theunisse Van Westbrook,[1] who declares that in true rights, free ownership, he grants, transfers, and makes over by these presents to and for the behoof of Geertruy Barents, last widow of the late Henderick Hendericksse and at present the wife of Jacob Heving, in the half of a lot with the house standing thereon, in length, breadth and compass according to conveyance, of date the 4th of June, 1658, whereto reference is here made; without the grantor's making the least claim thereto any more, acknowledging that he is fully paid and

[1] Van Westbrook, *alias* Bos.—*Deeds*, II, 641.

satisfied therefor, the last penny with the first, and promising therefore nevermore to do or suffer anything to be done in any manner against the same, on pledge of his person and estate, nothing excepted, subject to all laws and judges.

Done in Albany the $\frac{9}{19}$ of April, 1667.

This mark is set by JURRIAEN JANSE GROENEWOUT.

Philip Pieterse.
Goosen Gerritse.

In my presence,

D. V. SCHELLUYNE, Secretary.

We, the undersigned, commissaries of Albany, etc., testify and declare, that on the date underwritten, before us appeared Hans Henderickse and Pieter Van Alen, attorneys of Cornelis Cornelisse de Boer, who declare that in true rights, free ownership, they do grant, transfer and make over by these presents, to and for the behoof of Jan Hendrickse Bruyns, in a certain house and lot standing and lying here in Albany, in length and breadth and with such rights and privileges as the same was received by said de Boer, by conveyance from Jan Coster Van Acken, and Stoffel Janse [Abeel], attorneys for Pieter Maecker, to the behoof of said de Boer and Daniel Verveelen, passed the 8th of August, 1659, and according to deed of conveyance by said Verveelen, to the behoof of the aforenamed de Boer on the 25th of August, 1661, likewise according to bill of sale between said de Boer and the afornamed Bruyns, made on the 9th of August, 1663, to all which reference is herein made; without the grantor's making the least claim thereto any more, likewise acknowledging that he is fully paid and satisfied by the aforesaid Jan Hendrick Bruyns, the last penny with the first, and therefore giving *plenam actionem cessam*, and full power to the aforesaid Bruyns, his heirs and successors or assigns, to dispose thereof as he might do with his own patrimonial effects; promising to protect and free the aforesaid house and lot as it regards the said de Boer, from all actions, trouble and liens of all persons, as is right, and further, never to do nor suffer anything to be done against the same, either with or without law, in any manner, on pledge of his person and estate, nothing excepted, subject to all laws and judges.

Done in Albany, $\frac{12}{22}$ of April, 1667.

HANS HEINDRICKSE.
PIETER VAN ALEN.

Philip Pieterse.
Richard Van Rensselaer.

In my presence,

D. V. SCHELLUYNE, Secretary, 1667.

We, the undersigned, commissaries of Albany, etc., testify and declare, by these presents, that on the date underwritten, before us appeared Hendrick Marcelis, who declares by these presents that in true rights, free ownership, he grants, transfers and makes over to and for the behoof of Robert Sandertse, smith, in his house and lot standing and lying here in Albany, adjoining to the south and east the street, to the north Harmen

Janse Ryckman, and to the west Volkie Jurriaense, widow of the late Jan Van Hoesen,[1] length to the east 5 rods and eight feet, length to the south 9 rods and 11 feet, to the west 4 rods 11 feet, and to the north 9 rods 8 feet 8 inches; by virtue of a patent for a greater lot to him, the grantor, given by the Heer director general and council of New Netherland, of date the 24th of March, sixteen hundred and fifty-four, for which aforesaid house and lot, he, the grantor, acknowledges that he is fully paid and satisfied, the last penny with the first, giving therefore *plenam actionem cessam*, and full power to the aforenamed Robert Sandertse, his heirs and successors or assigns, to dispose thereof as he might do with his own patrimonial effects; promising to protect and free the aforesaid house and lot from all actions and claims of all persons as is right, and never more to do nor suffer anything to be done, against the same, either with or without law, in any manner, on pledge of his person and estate, nothing excepted, subject to all laws and judges.

Done in Albany $\frac{13}{23}$ of April, 1667.

This mark ⌒ is set by HENDRICK MARCELIS, aforenamed.

Philip Pieterse.
Richard Van Renselaer.

In my presence, D. V. SCHELLUYNE, Secretary, 1667.

We, the undersigned, commissaries of Albany, etc., testify and declare, by these presents, that on the date underwritten, before us appeared Hendrick Marcelis, who declares that in true rights, free ownership, he grants, transfers and makes over by these presents to and for the behoof of Volckie Jurriaense, widow of Jan Van Hoesen, in a lot lying here in Albany, adjoining to the east Robert Sandertse, to the south the street, to the west Andries de Vos, and to the north Harmen Janse Ryckman, length ten rods, breadth to the east four rods eight feet, and to the west four rods four feet, by virtue of a patent of a greater lot, of date the 24th of March, 1654; for which he, the grantor, acknowledges that he is fully paid and satisfied, the last penny with the first, and therefore giving *plenam actionem cessam*, and full power to the aforenamed Volckie Jurrianse, her heirs and successors, or those who may hereafter receive title from her to do therewith as she might do with her patrimonial effects; promising to protect and free the aforesaid lot from all actions and claims as is right, and further, never more to do nor suffer anything to be done against the same, with or without law, in any manner, on pledge of his person and estate, nothing excepted, subject to all laws and judges.

Done in Albany, the $\frac{13}{23}$ of April, 1667.

This mark ⌒ is set by HENDRICK MARCELIS, aforenamed.

Abram Staes.
R. V. Rensselaer.

In my presence,

D. V. SCHELLUYNE, Secretary, 1667.

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[1] Jan Franse Van Hoesen was in Beverwyck in 1657.—*Dutch Manuscripts*, XVI 2, 64. Letters of administration were issued to his son, Jurriaen, 2 August, 1703, and the following children were then living, viz: Jurriaen, oldest son, Jacob, Volkert, Anna, wife of Luykas Gerritse, Styntiers, wife of Jan Tys Goes, Marya, wife of Hendrik Coenraetse, Catharina, wife of Frank Hardingh, and Johannes; the latter was an aged man in 1724.—*Deeds*, VI, 199. Volkie Jurriaense, the widow of Jan Franse Van Hoesen, had a lot, in 1677, on the east side of North Pearl street, north of Steuben street.—*Deeds*, I, 406.

Appeared before us, the undersigned commissaries, the said Volckie Jurraense, widow of the late Jan Franse Van Hoesen, who declares, by virtue and in consequence of the above standing conveyance by Hendrick Marcelis to her behoof passed, that she grants, transfers and in rights, free ownership makes over by these presents to and for the behoof of Andries de Vos, in the lot in said conveyance mentioned, in length and breadth so bounded, here in Albany as stands expressed and described therein, whereto reference is here made, without the grantor's making the least claim any more thereto; also acknowledging that she is fully paid and satisfied therefor by the hands of said de Vos, the last penny with the first, and therefore giving to him, his heirs and successors or assigns, such right and power as she received from the aforenamed Hendrick Marcelis, with a promise to protect and free the same from all actions, trouble and claims in her behalf as is right; and further, never more to do nor suffer anything to be done against the same, either with or without law, in any manner, on pledge of her person and estate, nothing excepted, subject to all laws and judges.

Done in Albany, the $\frac{13}{23}$ of April, 1667.

This mark is set by VOLCKIE JURRIAENSE, aforenamed.

Richard Van Rensselaer.
Abram Staes.

In my presence, D. V. SCHELLUYNE, Secretary, 1667.

We, the undersigned, commissaries of Albany, etc., testify and declare, that on the date underwritten, appeared before us Mr. Cornelis Van Nes, old commissary of this jurisdiction, who declares that in true rights, free ownership, he grants, transfers and makes over by these presents, to and for the behoof of Jan Eps son (*Voor soon*) of his present wife, Maritie Damens, in a *bouwery* consisting of two parcels of land, together 21 morgens and 570 rods, lying at Schanechtade, according to patent of the Heer director general and council of New Netherland, of date the 16th of June, 1664, together with a house, lot and also a lot for a garden lying in the hamlet at Schanechtade aforesaid, being both bounded and in length and breadth according to the tenor of the deed of said Heer director general to the behoof of said Van Nes, of date the 20th of April, 1665, *stilo novo*, to which aforesaid patent and deed reference is here made; without the grantor's making the least claim thereto any more, also acknowledging that he is fully paid and satisfied therefor by the hands of said Jan Eps, the last penny with the first, and therefore giving *plenam actionem cessam*, and full power to the aforenamed Jan Van Eps, his heirs and successors or assigns to dispose of the aforesaid *bouwery*, house, lot and garden, as he might do with his own patrimonial lands and effects; promising to protect and free the same, from all actions, trouble and claims, of all persons as is right, and further never more to do, nor suffer anything to be done against the same, either with or without law, in any manner, on pledge of his person and estate, nothing excepted, subject to all laws and judges.

Done in Albany, the $\frac{15}{25}$ of April, 1667.

CORNELIS VAN NES.

Richard Van Rensselaer.
Abram Staes.

In my presence, D. V. SCHELLUYNE, Secretary, 1667.

We, the undersigned, commissaries of Albany, etc., testify and declare, that on the date underwritten, before us came and appeared Willem Janse Schut, husbandman in the aforesaid colony, who declared that in true rights, free ownership, he grants, transfers and makes over by these presents, to and for the behoof of Jacob Loockermans, in all the right and action which he has had to the house and lot, at present occupied by him, Loockermans, here in Albany, by virtue of a patent for a greater lot, of date the 25th of October, granted by the Heer director general and council of New Netherland to the widow of the late Gysbert Cornelisse Van Wesop, at present wife of Francois Boon, who transferred her right therein to Andries Herbertse Constapel, of date the 22d of August, 1654, from whom [Andries Herbertse] the grantor received a part of the lot mentioned in the aforesaid patent by purchase and delivery, and by the regulation of the highway a part was taken from said Loockermans on the one side, and on the other side again, a portion was added by the aforementioned Heer director general and commissaries on the 6th of October, 1656, standing endorsed upon the patent so that the aforesaid house and lot stands free enclosed and fenced below the road two rods eight feet and a half, east of the road three rods, south a rod eleven feet, and west two rods seven feet, according to the survey bill of the surveyor, Harmen Bastiaense [Visscher], of date the $\frac{13}{23}$ of this month of April; without the grantor's making the least claim to said house and lot any more, also acknowledging that he is fully paid and satisfied therefor by said Jacob Loockermans, and therefore giving to said Loockermans, or his assigns, *plenam actionem cessam*, and full power to dispose thereof as he might do with his patrimonial effects; promising to protect and free the same from all trouble, actions and claims of all persons as is right, and further, never more to do nor suffer anything to be done against the same, either with or without law, in any manner, on pledge of his person and estate, nothing excepted, subject to all laws and judges.

Done in Albany the $\frac{15}{25}$ of April, 1667.

WILLEM JANSEN SCHUDT.

Abram Staes.
Richard Van Rensselaer.
In my presence, D. V. SCHELLUYNE, Secretary, 1667.

We, the undersigned, commissaries of Albany, etc., testify and declare, that on the date underwritten, before us came and appeared Mr. Jan Hendrickse Van Bael, old commissary of this jurisdiction, who declares that in true rights, free ownership, he grants, transfers, and makes over by these presents, to and for the behoof of Gerrit Lansingh,[1] in a certain house and lot which was received by him by purchase at public sale, from Uldrich Cleyn, of date the 22d of July, 1658, and by virtue of a patent for a greater lot granted by the director general and council of New Netherland of date the 25th of October, 1653, and the first of November of the same year, to the aforenamed Uldrich Cleyn, standing and lying here in Albany, adjoining southerly on Symon Groot, northerly the road where Reyer Elbertse is at present, east and west the wagon road, now fenced and enclosed as the

[1] Gerrit Lansingh, late a citizen of Hasselt [*near Zwoll in Overyssell, Holland*] was deceased in 1679. He left the following children; Gerrit, Hendrik, Johannes, Aeltie wife of Gerrit Van Slichtenhorst, Gnysbertie wife of Hendrik Rosenboom, and Hilletie wife of the late Storm Vanderzee, *alias* Bratt.—*Deeds*, iii, 51.

same was surveyed, to the content of said Lansingh by the surveyor, Harman Bastiaense [Visscher], on the $\frac{13}{23}$ of this month of April, according to the survey bill thereof; without the grantor's making the least claim thereto any more, also acknowledging that he is fully paid and satisfied therefor, the last penny with the first [* * * * * erased], therefore giving *plenam actionem cessam*, and full power to the aforenamed Gerrit Lansingh, his heirs and successors or assigns, to dispose of the aforesaid house and lot as he might do with his patrimonial lands and effects; promising to protect and free the same from all trouble, actions and claims of all persons, and further, never more to do nor suffer anything to be done against the same, either with or without law, in any manner, on pledge of his person and estate, nothing excepted, subject to all laws and judges.

Done in Albany, the $\frac{15}{25}$ of April, 1667.

JAN H. VAN BAEL.

Richard Van Rensselaer.
Abram Staes.

In my presence,

D. V. SCHELLUYNE, Secretary, 1667.

Notwithstanding, Van Bael acknowledges, according to the above conveyance, that he is fully paid and satisfied, Gerrit Lansing remains indebted for the house and lot sixty-two guilders and thirteen stuivers in beavers, which he promises to pay at next business season [*handeltyt*], pledging therefor his person and estate, and especially the aforesaid house and lot to secure the payment thereof if need be.

Done in Albany, of date as above.

GERRIT LANSINCK.

In my presence,

D. V. SCHELLUYNE, Secretary, 1667.

Jan Van Bael acknowledges, that he is fully paid and satisfied for the above mentioned sum, and the foregoing mortgage deed is hereby cancelled and erased.

Done in Albany the $\frac{29}{8}$ $\frac{\text{August,}}{\text{September,}}$ 1667.

JAN VAN BAEL.

[The above mortgage is erased.]

We, the undersigned, commissaries of Albany, etc., testify and declare, that on the date underwritten, before us came and appeared Wouter Aertse, wheelwright here, as holding the right and claim of Pieter Meese Vrooman according to patent by the Heer director general and council of New Netherland, to him, Pieter Meese, granted, of date the 31st of October, 1658, who declares that in true rights, free ownership, he grants, transfers and by these presents makes over to and for the behoof of Geurt Hendrickse [Van Schoonhoven],[1] master carpenter here, in a lot for a house and a

[1] Guert Hendrik Van Schoonhoven had a farm on "Cahoos Island in 1681," and was of "*Halve Maan*" in 1675. He died the 12 Jan., 1702.—*Albany Church Records.* In his will, made 20 Aug., 1690, he speaks of his wife Maritie Cornelise and the following children: Jacobus eldest son, Hendrik, Margaret, Hendrikie, Geertruy, Jacomyntje.

garden lying here in Albany, at present occupied and possessed by the aforenamed Geurt Henderickse, in length, breadth and boundaries according to the tenor and purport of the aforesaid patent, without the grantor's having the least claim thereto any more, also acknowledging that he is fully paid and satisfied therefor by the hands of the aforenamed Geurt Henderickse, the last penny with the first, and therefore giving to said Geurt Hendrickse, his heirs and successors or assigns, *plenam actionem cessam*, and full power to dispose of said lot and garden, with the barn thereon standing, as he could do with his patrimonial land and effects; promising to protect and free the same from all trouble, claims and actions of all persons as is right, and further never more to do nor suffer anything to be done against the same either with or without law, in any manner, on pledge of his person and estate, nothing excepted, subject to all laws and judges.

Done in Albany, the $\frac{16}{26}$ of April, 1667.

PIETER MEESE VROOMAN.

This mark + is set by WOUTER AERTSE,[1] aforesaid.

Richard Van Rensselaer.
Philip Pieterse.

In my presence,

D. V. SCHELLUYNE, Secretary, 1667.

We, the undersigned, commissaries of Albany, etc., testify and declare, that on the date underwritten, before us came and appeared Captain Abram Staas, old commissary, who declares by virtue of a patent, of date the 25th of October, 1653, by the Heer director general and council of New Netherland to him granted, that in true rights, free ownership, he grants, transfers and makes over by these presents to Mr. Philip Pieterse Schuyler, also commissary of this jurisdiction, in a certain lot here in Albany, whereon said Schuyler has built his house, extending west to the lot of Ruth Jacobse, deceased, between which lots there is a path of five feet in breadth, from the path westward six rods and two feet, and southward twelve rods (besides which there was granted to said Schuyler by the Heeren commissaries in the year 1659, eight feet of ground westward on which his Indian house now stands); without the grantor's making the least claim thereto any more, also acknowledging that he is fully paid and satisfied therefor by the hands of said Schuyler, the last penny with the first, and therefore giving *plenam actionem cessam*, and full power to said Schuyler, his heirs and successors or assigns, to dispose thereof as he might do with his patrimonial lands and effects; promising to protect and free the aforesaid lot from all trouble, claims and actions of all persons as is right, and further, never more to do nor suffer anything to be done against the same, either with or without law, in any manner, under pledge of his person and estate, nothing excepted, subject to all laws and judges.

Done in Albany, the $\frac{17}{27}$ of April, 1667.

ABRAM STAES.

Goosen Gerretsen.
R. V. Rensselaer.

In my presence,

D. V. SCHELLUYNE, Secretary, 1667.

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[1] Wouter Aertse Van Nieukerck.

We, the undersigned, commissaries of Albany, etc., testify and declare, that on the date underwritten, came and appeared before us Do. Gideon Schaets,[1] minister of the gospel of this place, who declares that in true rights, free ownership, he grants, transfers and makes over by these presents, to and for the behoof of Philip Pieterse Schuyler, commissary of this jurisdiction, in a lot lying between the Heer Rensselaer's garden, and begins at the *clapborden* of Abram Pieterse [Vosburgh], adjoining to the east a cartway, south also a road, and west a low lot, south breadth four rods and length ten rods, according to patent, to him granted by the Heer director general and council of New Netherland, of date the 22d of September, 1653, without the grantor's making the least claim thereto any more, also acknowledging that he is fully paid and satisfied therefor by the hands of the aforenamed Schuyler, the last penny with the first, and therefore giving *plenam actionem cessam*, and full power to the aforesaid Schuyler, his heirs and successors or assigns, to dispose thereof as he might do with his patrimonial lands and effects; promising to protect and free the aforesaid lot in his behoof from all trouble, claims, and actions of each and every person, and further, never more to do nor suffer anything to be done against the same, either with or without law, in any manner, on pledge of his person and estate, nothing excepted, subject to all laws and judges.

Done in Albany this $\frac{17}{27}$ of April, 1667.

GIDEON SCHAETS.

Abram Staes.
Goosen Gerritsen.

In my presence,

D. V. SCHELLUYNE, Secretary, 1667.

We, the undersigned, commissaries of Albany, etc., testify and declare, that on the date underwritten, before us came and appeared Andries De Vos, father-in-law of Cornelis Vos, who declares that in true rights, free ownership, he grants, transfers and makes over by these presents, to and for the behoof of Jurriaen Theunisse Glaesemaecker, in a lot lying here in Albany, at present occupied and built upon by said Jurriaen Theunisse, adjoining to the east of Barent Van Marle, in length seven rods, and with the consent of the Heeren [commissaries,] one rod to the kil, along the kil breadth two rods five feet, along the street length eight rods, in front breadth as the house stands, according to the survey bill of the surveyor, Jan Roeloffse; by virtue of a patent of a greater lot granted to the aforenamed Cornelis Vos, by the Heer director general and council of New Netherland, of date the 23d of April, 1652, also according to bill of sale, by the aforenamed Cornelis Vos, and said Jurriaen Theunisse, subscribed of date the 10th of August, 1662; without the said Cornelis Vos, or the grantor's making the least claim thereto any more in their behalf, also the grantor acknowledges that Cornelis Vos, before his departure for Holland, was fully paid and satisfied therefor by the aforenamed Jurriaen Theunisse, and therefore promising to protect and free the said lot from all actions and claims of every person for said Cornelis Vos, as is right, to the behoof of said Jurriaen Theunisse, his heirs and succes-

[1] For an account see *Annals of Albany* 1, 87, 95, 161, etc.

sors or assigns, and further, never more to do, nor suffer anything to be done against the same, either with or without law, in any manner, on pledge of his person and estate, nothing excepted, subject to all laws and judges.

Done in Albany, the $\frac{18}{28}$ of April, 1667.

ANDRYES DE VOS.

Abram Staes.
Philip Pieterse Schuyler.

In my presence,

D. V. SCHELLUYNE, Secretary, 1667.

We, the undersigned, commissaries of Albany, etc., testify and declare, that on the date underwritten, before us came and appeared Mr. Philip Pieterse Schuyler, commissary of the same jurisdiction, who declares that in true rights, free ownership, he grants, transfers and makes over by these presents to and for the behoof of Jan De Noorman, in a lot on which his house has stood, which house he has removed, by virtue of a conveyance, of date the 11th of September, 1664, by Pieter Adriaense [Soogemackelyck], to the behoof of said Schuyler passed; adjoining to the north, Adriaen Appel, and to the south Jan Barentse Poest, deceased, here in Albany, length ten rods and breadth four rods, without the grantor's making the least claim any more thereto, also acknowledging that he is fully paid and satisfied therefor through the hands of said Jan De Noorman, the last penny with the first, and therefore giving *plenam actionem cessam*, and full power to the aforenamed Jan De Noorman, his heirs and successors or assigns, to dispose thereof, as he might do with his own patrimonial effects; promising to protect and free the aforesaid lot in his behalf, from all trouble, actions and claims of each and every person as is right, and further, never more to do nor suffer any thing to be done against the same, either with or without law, in any manner, on pledge of his person and estate, nothing excepted, subject to all laws and judges.

Done in Albany the $\frac{18}{28}$ of April, 1667.

PHILIP PIETERSE SCHUYLER.

Goosen Gerritse.
Abram Staes.

In my presence,

D. V. SCHELLUYNE, Secretary, 1667.

We, the undersigned, commissaries of Albany, etc., testify and declare, by these presents that on the date underwritten before us came and appeared Femmetie Alberts, widow of of Hendrick Janse Westercamp, dwelling in the Esopus, but now being at this place, who declares that in true rights, free ownership, she grants, transfers, and makes over by these presents to and for the behoof of Daniel Rinehout, baker, in her certain house and lot standing and lying here in Albany, at present occupied by the said Rinehout, being the same house and lot, in length, breadth, and boundaries according to the tenor and purport of the survey bill of the surveyor, and by virtue of a patent of a greater lot granted by the Heeren director general and council of New Netherland of date the 23d of April, 1652, to which reference is herein made, without

the grantor's making the least claim any more to the same, also acknowledging that she is fully paid and satisfied therefor by the hands of said Rinchout, the last penny with the first, according to the bill of sale passed before the secretary, Dirk Van Hamel,[1] deceased, of date the 8th of March, 1660, and therefore giving to the aforenamed Rinchout, his heirs and successors or assigns, full right and power to dispose of the aforesaid house and lot, as he might do with his own patrimonial lands and effects; promising to protect and free the aforesaid house and lot from all trouble, actions and claims of each and every person as is right, and further, never more to do nor suffer anything to be done against the same, either with or without law, in any manner, on pledge of his person and estate, nothing excepted, subject to all laws and judges.

Done in Albany the $\frac{19}{29}$ of April, 1667.

This + mark is set by FEMMETIE ALBERTS, aforenamed.

Philip Pieterse.

R. V. Rensselaer.

In my presence,

D. V. SCHELLUYNE, Secretary, 1667.

We, the undersigned, commissaries of Albany, etc., testify and declare, by these presents, that on the date underwritten, before us came and appeared Mr. Adriaen Van Ilpendam, attorney for Albert Gerritse, dwelling in the Esopus, who declares in his aforesaid character that in true rights, free ownership, he grants, transfers, and makes over by these presents, to and for the behoof of Jan Janssen Van Eeckelen, in a certain house and lot standing and lying here in Albany, by virtue of a patent granted by the Heeren director general and council of New Netherland, of date the 23d of April, 1652, to the aforenamed Albert Gerritse, a part of which was transferred to Jan Van Aecken, and by said Van Aecken to Gerrit Bancker, with whom the survey bill of the surveyor remains; also according to bill of sale of date the 3d of March, 1660, passed between the aforenamed Albert Gerritse, and said Van Eeckelen; without the grantor's (in his aforesaid character) making the least claim any more to said house and lot, also acknowledging that he is fully paid and satisfied by the hands of said Van Eeckelen, the last penny with the first, and therefore giving to the aforenamed Van Eeckelen his heirs and successors and assigns *plenam actionem cessam*, and full power to dispose thereof as he might do with his patrimonial lands and effects; promising in his aforesaid character to protect and free the aforesaid house and lot from all trouble, claims and actions, as is right, and further, never more to do nor suffer anything to be done against the same, with or without law, in any manner, on pledge of his person (in his aforesaid character), and estate, nothing excepted, subject to all laws and judges.

Done in Albany, the $\frac{29}{30}$ of April, 1667.

ADRIAEN VAN ILPENDAM.

R. V. Rensselaer.

Philip Pieterse Schuyler.

In my presence,

D. V. SCHELLUYNE, Secretary, 1667.

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[1] Dirck Van Hamel was town clerk of Rensselaerwyck in 1656.

Notwithstanding the aforewritten conveyance before passed, Jan Van Eeckelen acknowledges *per resto* on the aforesaid house and lot, that he is indebted according to a settlement had with Mr. Adriaen Van Ilpendam in the sum or quantity of thirty good whole merchantable beaver skins, which he promises to pay punctually in the month of July, next coming, without longer delay, for which pledging his person and estate, personal and real, nothing excepted, and specially the aforesaid house and lot, to secure the payment if need be, without loss and cost.

Done in Albany, *datum ut supra.*

JAN JANSSEN VAN EECKEL.

In my presence,

D. V. SCHELLUYNE, Secretary, 1667.

We, the undersigned, commissaries of Albany, etc., testify and declare, that upon the date underwritten, before us came and appeared Huybert Janse [De Vroome],[1] dwelling here in Albany, who declares that in true rights, free ownership he grants, conveys and makes over by these presents, to and for the behoof of Cornelis Van Nes, husband and guardian of Maritie Damens, last widow of Hendrick Andriesse [Van Doesburgh], as holding the right and title of Philip Hendrickse Brouwer in a certain lot, length seventy-three wood feet, breadth on the east side thirty feet, and on the west side breadth between twenty-six and twenty-seven feet as it stands in fence, according to contract, of date the 6th of March, 1659, likewise according to deed of conveyance for the grantor, of date $\frac{9}{19}$ of April, of this year, to his behoof passed by Jurriaen Janse Groenewout, husband and guardian of Maritie Thomase, last widow of the late Cornelis Theunise Bos, to all of which reference is here made; without the grantor's making the least claim thereto any more, also acknowledging that he is paid and satisfied therefor by the hands of the aforenamed Philip Hendrickse, the last penny with the first, and therefore giving to the aforenamed Van Nes, his heirs and successors or assigns, such right and power to dispose thereof as he might do with his own patrimonial effects; promising to protect and free said lot from all trouble, claims and actions of each and every person as is right, and further, never more to do nor suffer anything to be done against the same, with or without law, in any manner, on pledge of his person and estate, nothing excepted, subject to all laws and judges.

Done in Albany the $\frac{23 \text{ April,}}{2 \text{ May,}}$ 1667.

This mark is set by HUYBERT JANSE, aforenamed.

R. V. Rensselaer.
Teunis Cornelisse.

In my presence,

D. V. SCHELLUYNE, Secretary, 1667.

Appeared likewise the aforenamed Cornelis Van Nes, who declares in his aforesaid character, that he grants and conveys the abovenamed lot in free ownership to and for the behoof of Henderick Gerritse Vermeulen,

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[1] Huybert Janse in 1677 owned a lot in Maiden lane next east of Harmen Gansevoort's, where Stanwix Hall now stands.—*Deeds*, 1, 355.

master tailor, with such right and title as the aforesaid Huybert Janse has conveyed to him, also acknowledging, that he is fully paid and satisfied therefor; and promising never more to do nor suffer anything to be done against the same, under a like pledge and subjection as above.

Done in Albany, *datum ut supra.*

CORNELIS VAN NES.

R. V. Rensselaer.
Teunis Cornelisse.

In my presence,

D. V. SCHELLUYNE, Secretary, 1667.

Henderick Gerritse Vermeulen declares, by these presents, and in accordance with the above standing conveyance, that he grants, and makes over to the behoof of Arent Janssen, carpenter, here in Albany, his heirs and successors or assigns, with such right and title as was conveyed by Huybert Janse, in the foregoing conveyance, to Cornelis Van Nes, and by said Van Nes, as having the right and title of Philip Hendrickse Brouwer, to the grantor; without the grantor's making the least claim thereto any more, also acknowledging that he is fully paid therefor, and moreover, promising never more to do, nor suffer anything to be done, against the same, under the like pledge and subjection, as is mentioned in the aforesaid conveyance.

Done in Albany, *datum ut supra.*

HENDRICK GERRITSE.

R. V. Rensselaer.
Teunis Cornelisse.

Although the foregoing conveyances were before delivered, yet Henderick Gerritse Vermeulen acknowledges that in respect to the remaining purchase money for the aforesaid lot, due to the aforesaid Philip Hendrickse or now to said Van Nes, he is justly indebted one hundred and nine guilders in beavers; and Arent Janse, carpenter, in like manner to Hendrick Gerritse [Vermeulen is indebted] nine beavers; so he, Hendrick Gerritse, assigns over to said Van Nes, the said nine beavers due from said Arent Janse, which said Arent Janse not only assents to by these presents, and said nine beavers promises to pay within six months from this date, but especially pledges and mortgages, therefor, the aforesaid lot, and house thereon standing, and further, pledges generally his person and estate, nothing excepted, subject to all laws and judges, to secure the payment thereof if need be, without cost or loss; and for as much as Henderick Gerritse furthermore remains indebted also to Van Nes for a balance of eighty-seven guilders in beavers, he promises honestly and justly to pay him the same, also within the time of six months after this date, under pledge of his person and estate, nothing excepted, subject as before.

Done in Albany, of date as above.

HINDRICK GERRITSE.
ARENT JANSE.

R. V. Rensselaer.
Teunis Cornelisse.

In my presence,

D. V. SCHELLUYNE, Secretary, 1667.

[On the margin of the above mortgage is the following note by the hand of Dirk Van Schelluyne.]

It appears to me, by the acquittance of Cornelis Van Nes, that Arent Janse, the carpenter, paid the nine beavers, mentioned herein, on the 24th of July, 1668, whereby this mortgage is cancelled.

We, the undersigned, commissaries of Albany, etc., testify and declare, that before us came and appeared, Mr. Gerard Swart, *schout* of this court, for himself, and to relieve and herein to act for Captain Abram Staes, both together attorneys for Mr. Pieter Hartgers, and declares in said character, that he grants, conveys, and in true rights, free ownership, makes over to and for the behoof of Hendrick Cuyler, in the aforesaid Hartger's house and lot, standing and lying here in Albany, in consequence and by virtue of a contract therefor, of date the 27th of February, 1664; as the same house and lot stands fenced, enclosed and bounded on the hill, according to the tenor of said contract to which reference is here made; without the grantor's (in his aforesaid character) making the least claim thereto any more, also acknowledging that he is fully paid and satisfied therefor, by the hands of Hendrick Cuyler, the last penny with the first, and therefore giving *plenam actionem cessam*, and full power to said Cuyler, his heirs, successors or assigns, to dispose thereof as he might do with his patrimonial effects; and promising in his said character, to protect and free the aforesaid house and lot from all trouble, claims and actions of each and every person, as is right, and further, never more to do nor suffer anything to be done against the same, either with or without law, in any manner, on pledge of his person and estate, nothing excepted, subject to all laws and judges.

Done in Albany, the $\frac{24\ \text{April,}}{2\ \text{May,}}$ 1667. G. SWART.

Philip Pieterse Schuyler.

Teunis Cornelisse.

In my presence, D. V. SCHELLUYNE, Secretary, 1667.

Notwithstanding the above standing conveyance to the behoof of Hendrick Cuyler passed, he yet acknowledges that he is justly indebted for the last two payments of purchase money, due for the above standing house and lot, amounting together to the sum of five hundred and sixty-six guilders, and to be paid in good whole beavers, which sum said Cuyler promises to pay to said attorney on the first occasion of a demand being made, pledging and especially mortgaging said house and lot therefor, that the payment thereof may be secured, if need be, without loss or cost, and on a further pledge of his person and estate, nothing excepted, subject to all laws and judges.

Done in Albany, of date as above.

HENDRICK CUYLER.

In my presence,

D. V. SCHELLUYNE, Secretary, 1667.

We, the undersigned, commissaries of Albany, etc., testify and declare, that on the date underwritten, the Heer Jeremias Van Rensselaer, director of said colony in true rights, free ownership, grants and conveys by these presents in a little strip (*strookie*) of a lot and garden behind the lot on which the horse mill and mill house stood, to and for the behoof of Jan

Evertse, schoemaker, as he received said lot by purchase and conveyance from Willem Bout, according to the deed thereof, of date, the 18th of November, 1662, lying here in Albany, next to the house and lot conveyed by Theunis Cornelisse to said Jan Evertse, without the grantor's making the least claim thereto; also acknowledging that he is fully paid and satisfied therefor, and promising never more to do nor suffer any thing to be done against the same in any manner, on pledge according to law.

Done in Albany the $\frac{25}{5}$ April, May, 1667.

J. V. RENSSELAER.

R. V. Rensselaer.
Teunis Cornelisse.

In my presence, D. V. SCHELLUYNE, Secretary, 1667.

Appeared before us, underwritten commissaries of Albany, etc, Philip Pieterse Schuyler and Dirck Van Schelluyne, as trustees of the estate of the late Cornelis Bogardus, who declare that in true rights, free ownership they grant, convey and make over, by these presents, to and for the behoof of Jan Vinhagen, in the house and lot of the aforesaid Bogardus, standing and lying here in Albany, at present occupied by said Vinhagen, by virtue and in consequence of the contract of date the $\frac{5}{15}$ September, 1666, and of further evidences thereof, without the grantors' (in their aforesaid character) making the least claim thereto any more, also acknowledging that they are fully paid and satisfied therefor (through Jan Janse Bleecker, which payment is made in part, and further the remainder (?) must be made to said Jan Janse Bleecker, according to the tenor and contents of the aforesaid contract by which according to sentence [of the court] Jan Janse Bleecker is preferred), and therefore giving *plenam actionem cessam*, and perfect power to said Vinhagen, his heirs and successors or assigns, to use and possess in full ownership, the aforesaid house and lot as he might do with his own patrimonial effects; promising to protect and free said house as is right, from all trouble, claims and actions, and further, never more to do nor suffer anything to be done against the same, in any manner, on pledge of their respective persons and estates in their aforesaid character.

Done in Albany the $\frac{27}{7}$ April, May, 1667.

PHILIP PIETERSE SCHUYLER.
D. V. SCHELLUYNE, 1667.

R. V. Rensselaer.
A. Van Curler.

Acknowledged before me,
G. SWART, *schout* at Albany.

Pursuant to the aforesaid conveyance and contract, Jan Vinhagen also acknowledges that he is indebted *per resto* in the quantity of fifty beavers or their value, according to the contents of said contract, promising to pay said sum at the set time, as the contract mentions, therefor pledging as a special mortgage, the aforesaid house and lot, and further, generally his person and estate, nothing excepted, subject to all laws and judges, to secure the payment thereof, if need be, without loss and cost.

Done in Albany of date as above.

JAN VINHAEGHEN.

Acknowledged before me,
G. SWART, *schout* at Albany, etc.

Appeared before us, the underwritten commissaries of Albany, etc., Carsten Carstense Noorman, who declares by these presents that in true rights, free ownership, he grants, conveys, and makes over, to and for the behoof of Claes Theunisse [*alias* Uylenspiegel], in a lot lying behind Fort Albany, west the aforenamed Claes Theunisse, length six rods, south breadth three rods, east a low lot length six rods, north the road breadth three rods, according to the survey bill thereof of the surveyor Jan Roeloffse; as the aforesaid lot has been possessed, by grant of the Heeren commissaries many years, but as it appears, not as yet found registered; without the grantor's making the least claim thereto any more, also acknowledging that he is fully paid and satisfied therefor by the hands of Claes Theunisse, the last penny with the first, and therefor giving *plenam actionem cessam*, and full power to the aforesaid Claes Theunisse, his heirs and successors or assigns, to dispose thereof as he might do with his patrimonial effects; promising to protect and free the said lot from all trouble, actions and claims of all persons, as is right, and further, never more to do, nor suffer anything to be done against the same, either with or without law, in any manner, on pledge according to law.

Done in Albany $\frac{27}{7}$ April, May, 1667.

This mark ⋀⋀ is set by Carsten Carstense Noorman, aforesaid.
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R. V. Kensselaer.
Teunise Cornelisse.

In my presence,

D. V. Schelluyne, Secretary, 1667.

We, the undersigned, commissaries of Albany, etc., testify and declare, that before us came and appeared the honorable Sander Leendertse Glen, dwelling at Schanectade, who deliberately declares that by donation *inter-vivos* and free gift among the living, in true rights, free ownership, he grants, conveys and makes over by these presents, to and for the behoof of his three sons, namely, Jacob, Sander, and Johannes Sandertse Glen, in a certain parcel[1] of land lying between the lake and the river, over against the village of Schanechtade, consisting of fifty morgens, according to patent thereof, of date ..... and therefore releasing the same forever for the behoof as above, for good reasons, and good services received by the subscriber; promising never more to do nor suffer anything to be done against the same, with or without law, in any manner, on pledge of his person and estate, nothing excepted, subject to all laws and judges.

Done in Albany the $\frac{11}{21}$ of May, 1667.

Sander Lenres Glen.

A. Van Curler.
R. V. Rensselaer.

We, the undersigned, commissaries of Albany, etc., declare that on the day underwritten, before us came and appeared Jacques Cornelisse Van Slyck, dwelling at Schanectade, who acknowledges that he is well

[1] This parcel of land lies in the town of Glenville on the north bank of the Mohawk river, between that and the Round or Sanders lake. A portion of this land belongs to the Sanders family, who are descendants from Sander Leendertse Glen on the female side.

and truly indebted to Mr. Jan Hendrickse Van Bael, old commissary, in the sum of four hundred and fifty-five guilders and six stuivers, growing out of goods to his content received, according to obligation by the subscriber passed the 3d of January, 1666, to be paid in beavers, reckoned at eight guilders a piece, which aforesaid sum of *f* 455.6 the subscriber shall pay with the consent of said Van Bael, within the time of four years next following, with interest on the same at ten to the hundred, to commence on this date and to run till the final payment, nor under the pretext of paying interest shall the aforesaid capital sum be kept longer than four years, except at the pleasure of Van Bael, or the lawful bearer of this paper; for which the subscriber specially pledges and mortgages his *bouwery* lying at Schanechtade aforesaid as the subscriber now possesses it, and also his person and estate, personal and real, present and future, nothing excepted, subject to all laws and judges, to secure the payment without cost or loss.

Done in Albany the $\frac{6}{16}$ of July, 1667.

ACKES.

R. V. Rensselaer.
Abram Staes.

Acknowledged before me,

D V. SCHELLUYNE, Secretary, 1667.

Appeared before us, the undersigned, commissaries of Albany, etc., the Heer Jeremias Van Rensselaer, as trustee of the estate of the late Jan Bastiaense Van Gutsenhoven, who declares by these presents that in true rights, free ownership, he grants, conveys, and makes over to and for the behoof of Mr. Jan Hendrick Bruyns, in two certain gardens lying in fence behind Fort Albany, by virtue and in consequence of a deed of conveyence by Sander Leendertse Glen, to the behoof of the aforenamed Gutsenhoven, passed on the 25th of October 1662, before the late Heer vice director and *commys* La Montagne in the presence of two commissaries, without the grantor's (in his aforesaid character), making the least claim any more thereto, as it appears that on the 14th of December, 1665, said Gutsenhoven was fully paid therefor by the sum of one hundred and twenty guilders by said Bruyns, and therefore giving *plenam actionem cessam*, and full power to said Bruyns, his heirs and successors or assigns, to dispose of said two gardens as he might do with his own patrimonial lands and effects; promising in his aforesaid character [of trustee,] to protect and free said gardens from all actions and claims of every person, and never more to do nor suffer anything to be done against the same, either with or without law, in any manner, on pledge of his person and estate, nothing excepted, subject to all laws and judges.

Done in Albany the $\frac{6}{16}$ of July, 1667.

JEREMIAS VAN RENSSELAER.

Abram Staes.
R. V. Rensselaer.

In my presence,

D. V. SCHELLUYNE, Secretary, 1667.

Appeared before us, the undersigned, commissaries of Albany, etc., Messrs. Pieter Bogardus and Jonas Bogardus, for themselves, and as attorneys for Pieter Hartgers, Mr. Johannes Van Brugh, Sara Roeloffse,

widow of the late Mr. Hans Kierstede in his life time, chirurgeon, Jan Roeloffse, William Bogardus, and on the part of the widow of the late Cornelis Bogardus, all children and heirs of their mother, Annetie Bogardus,[1] who declare, by reason of the bill of sale, of date the 21st of June, 1663, passed before the clerk, Johannes Provoost and certain witnesses, and by virtue of a patent granted first by the Heer director general and council of New Netherland, of date the 23d of April, 1652, and again on the 10th of this month of July, by the right honorable, the governor general Richard Nicolls, that, in true rights, free ownership, they grant, convey, and make over by these presents to and for the behoof of Dirck Wesselse [Ten Broeck], in the aforenamed Annetie Bogardus's certain house and lot standing and lying here in Albany, and occupied by said Dirck Wesselse, bounded, built upon, and enclosed both in breadth and length according to the tenor and contents of said bill of sale to which reference is here made, without the grantors' having the least claim thereto any more, likewise acknowledging that they are fully paid and satisfied therefor, the last penny with the first, and therefore giving *plenam actionem cessam*, and full power to the aforesaid Dirck Wesselse, his heirs and successors or assigns, to dispose of the aforesaid house and lot as he could do with his patrimonial effects; promising to protect and free the same from all trouble, actions, liens, and claims of every person, as is right, and further, never more to do nor suffer anything to be done against the same, either with or without law, in any manner, on pledge of his person and estate, nothing excepted, subject to all laws and judges.

Done in Albany the $\frac{17}{27}$ of July, 1667.

PIETER BOGARDUS.
JONAS BOGARDUS.

Teunis Cornelisse.
Abram Staes.

In my presence,

D. V. SCHELLUYNE, Secretary, 1667.

Appeared before us, the undersigned, commissioners of Albany, etc., the honorable Dirck Hesselingh and Eytie Hendrickse, newly married folks, dwelling here in Albany, who declare in presence of Jan Coster Van Aecken (late guardian of said Eytie Hendrickse from the year 1655, the time when she with her three sisters were taken prisoners by the wild barbarians on the land of Van der Donck,[2] on the east side of the North river, until her marriage state), that they appoint and empower by these presents, Mr. Samuel Van Goedenhuysen, merchant at New Haven in New England, specially to ask and demand of Mr. Ling, also merchant there, a girl named Albrechie Hendrixe, sister of the aforesaid Ytie Hendrixs, about seventeen or eighteen years old, who, with her and her two other sisters, was also taken prisoner by the Indians, and for a long time has been kept there, and only through God's mercy has arrived among Christians at New Haven, as they, the subscribers, are certainly informed; the aforesaid Aelbrechie, having received from her present aforesaid master, the same very speedily to send up to Manhatans or New York by the bearer of this, Claes Lock, to the end that she may as soon as possible reach

[1] This is the celebrated Anneke Janse.
[2] Now Yonkers.—*O'Callaghan's History of New Netherland*, i, 382; ii, 551.

her aforesaid sister, Ytie Hendrickse, here in Albany; and in case of unwillingness (without hope), to make the matter known to the judge there, and to seek for and solicit a favorable result; and further all things to do, act and perform in the matter which he may deem needful and proper; promising at all times with thankful hearts to hold good and true all that shall be done and performed in the matter aforesaid by the aforenamed Mr. Goedenhuysen in virtue of this paper, without any opposition, on pledge according to law.

Done in Albany $\frac{28}{7}$ Oct., Nov., 1667.

DIRCK HESSELINGH.
YTIE HENDERICKSE.
JAN COSTER.

R. V. Rensselaer.
J. Dehinsse.

Acknowledged before me,
D. V. SCHELLUYNE, Secretary, 1667.

Appeared before us, underwritten, commissaries of Albany, etc., Mr. Andries Teller, merchant here, who acknowledges, that he is well and truely indebted to Jurriaen Theunisse, glazier, in the quantity of ninety good merchantable beavers reckoned at eight guilders a piece, growing out of the matter of the last installment, for the purchase and payment of a certain house and lot bought from him by the subscriber, according to the contract therefor, of date the $\frac{7}{17}$ August last, which aforesaid sum of ninety beavers the subscriber [Teller] according to the tenor and contents thereof promises to pay punctually on the $\frac{7}{17}$ of August next coming, therefor pledging specially the aforesaid house and lot and generally his person and estate, personal and real, present and future, nothing excepted, subject to all laws and judges.

Done in Albany, the $\frac{12}{22}$ November, 1667.

A. TELLER.

Philip Pieterse Schuyler.
J. Dehinsse.

Acknowledged before me,
D. V. SCHELLUYNE, Secretary, 1667.

Appeared before us, underwritten, commissaries of Albany, etc., Jurriaen Theunisse Glasemaecker, who declares that in true rights, free ownership, he grants, conveys, and makes over by these presents, to and for the behoof of Andries Tailler,[1] merchant here, his heirs and successors or assigns, the grantor's certain lot and house and stable thereon built, standing and lying here in Albany (at present in possession of said Teller), by virtue of a conveyance by Andries de Vos, passed to his behoof, of date the $\frac{18}{28}$ of April, last, and the survey bill thereof by the surveyor, and according to the patent of the right honorable governor general, of date the 24th day of April, old style, given to him, the grantor, and further, in consequence of a contract for the aforesaid house and lot, of date the $\frac{7}{17}$ of August last,

[1] Andries Teller was the oldest child of William Teller. He was born in 1642, and on the 6th of May, 1671, married Sophia Van Cortland, daughter of Oloff Stevense Van Cortland of New York. For many years he was a merchant and magistrate in Albany, but about the year 1698, the whole family removed to New York, save his brother Johannes. He made his will 1702, and died the next year, leaving a son Andries, and daughter Margarita.

all of which are delivered over herewith to said Teller, and respecting the boundaries, length and breadth of said house and lot referring to the said deeds, acknowledging that he is fully paid and satisfied forthe aforesaid house and lot through the hands of said Teller, with the sum of ninety beavers received by him to his content, and with a mortgage of like sum according to the tenor of the aforesaid contract; without the grantor's making the least claim any more on the same, and therefore giving *plenam actionem cessam*, and full power to said Teller, and his heirs, to dispose thereof as he might do with his own patrimonial effects; promising to protect and free said house and lot from all trouble, actions and claims of every person as is right, and further, never more to do nor suffer anything to be done against the same, either with or without law, in any manner, on pledge, according to law.

Done in Albany the $\frac{12}{22}$ of November, 1667.

JUREJAN TUNSEN.

Philip Pieterse Schuyler.
J. Dehinsse.

Acknowledged before me,

D. V. SCHELLUYNE, Secretary, 1667.

Appeared before us, undersigned, commissaries of Albany, etc., Lodovicus Cobes, court messenger of the college of the aforesaid commissaries, who declares by these presents that in true rights, free ownership, he grants, conveys and makes over to and for the behoof of Jan Clute, in his certain lot, granted him by the above mentioned commissaries, being allotment No. 4, breadth in front on the street thirty-six and a half feet, length six rods westward, lying here in Albany on the hill, adjoining to the south the lot of Geertruy Vosburgh[1] being No. 3, and to the north the lot of Willem Bout, being No. 5, and easterly the street, and to the west the public lands; by virtue of the aforesaid grant and a patent from the right honorable the governor general, of date the 6th of September last, together with such rights and immunities as were before received by said grantor; acknowledging that he is fully paid and satisfied therefor by the exchange of a house and lot, lying here in Albany, for said lot, by said Jan Clute, passed in like manner on the date hereof; giving, therefore, *plenam actionem cessam*, and full power to the aforenamed Jan Clute, his heirs and successors or assigns, to dispose thereof as he might do with his own patrimonial effects; promising further to protect and free the aforesaid lot from all trouble, actions and claims of each and every person as is right, and never more to do, nor suffer any thing to be done, either with or without law, in any manner, on pledge of his person and estate, personal and real, nothing excepted, subject to all laws and judges.

Done in Albany the $\frac{23}{3}$ Nov., Dec., 1667.

LUDOVICUS COBES.

Goosen Gerritson.
R. V. Rensselaer.

Acknowledged before me,

D. V. SCHELLUYNE, Secretary, 1667.

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[1] She was the widow of Abraham Pieterse Vosburgh deceased.

Appeared before us, undersigned, commissaries of Albany, etc., Mr. Jan Clute, merchant here, who declares that in true rights, free ownership he grants, conveys and makes over by these presents, to and for the behoof of Ludovicus Cobes, court messenger, in his certain house and lot standing and lying here in Albany, in length, breadth and boundaries as he received it by conveyance from Willem Bout, of date the $\frac{27}{8}$ Aug. Sept., 1666, to which reference is here made, and according to patent of the right honorable governor general, of date the 1st of April, 1666, the grantor acknowledging that he is fully paid and satisfied therefor through the hands of said Ludovicus Cobes, with a lot to him conveyed, on the date hereof, lying here in Albany on the hill, being No. 4, according to the conveyance thereof, and therefore giving *plenam actionem cessam*, and full power to the aforesaid Ludovicus Cobes, his heirs and successors or assigns, to dispose thereof as he might do with his own patrimonial effects; promising to protect and free the aforesaid house and lot from all trouble, actions and claims of all persons as is right, and further, never more to do nor suffer anything to be done against the same, either with or without law, in any manner, on pledge of his person and estate, nothing excepted, subject to all laws and judges.

Done in Albany the $\frac{23}{3}$ Nov., Dec., 1667.

JOHANNES CLUTE.

Goosen Gerritse.
R. V. Rensselaer.

Acknowledged before me,

D. V. SCHELLUYNE, Secretary, 1667.

We, the commissaries of Albany, etc., declare by these presents, that in true rights, free ownership, we grant, convey and make over by these presents, to and for the behoof of Jan Coster Van Aecken, in a certain lot lying here in Albany on the hill, adjoining to the east the lot of Jan Thomasse, to the south the highway, to the west the common fence, and to the north the lot of Capt. Backer, said lot being in breadth in front on the street to the south forty feet;[1] without our making any claim on the same any more, also acknowledging that they are fully paid and satisfied therefor, by the hands of the aforesaid Van Aecken, according to contract, of date $\frac{16}{26}$ July last, and therefore giving *plenam actionem cessam*, and full power to the said Van Aecken, his heirs and successors or assigns, to dispose thereof as he might do with his patrimonial effects, but with his neighbors submitting to the public burdens; promising to protect and free the aforesaid lot from all actions of each and every person, and further, never more to do nor suffer anything to be done against the same.

Done at the session of the Heeren commissaries in Albany, the $\frac{28}{8}$ Nov., Dec., 1667.

R. V. RENSSELAER.
PHILIP PIETERSE SCHUYLER.

Acknowledged before me,

D. V. SCHELLUYNE, Secretary, 1667.

Copy of an obligation and mortgage registered at the request of Mr. J. V. Rensselaer.

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[1] This lot seems to have been on the east corner of State and Chapel streets. Capt. Backer's lot was on the east side of Chapel street, immediately in the rear of the above lot.

Appeared before us, Jacob Burhans and Hendrick Aertsen, commissaries of the village of Wildwyck, the honorable Hendrick Jochemse, who acknowledges that he is well and truly indebted to Mr. Abraham Wesselse or his order, in the sum of two hundred and twenty-one guilders, six stuivers, growing out of wares received from Mr. Jan Bastianse [Van Gutsenhoven], and the subscriber promises to pay said sum of *f* 221.6, in harvest time of the year 1668; for which the subscriber specially pledges his house and lot with the declaration that the same is free and unincumbered, which house and lot are standing at Fort Orange [Albany], over against the church, to the south of Jan Rinchout, and to the north Philip Pieterse [Schuyler], further, pledging his person and estate, present and to come, subject to all laws and judges. The mortgagor witnesses the above with his own hand, with Jacob Burhans and Hendrick Aertse.

Subscribed in Wildwyck, this $\frac{19}{29}$ of Febr, 1668.

Below stood "Agrees with the principal," which was subscribed by Wil. Beeckman, *schout* of Esopus, as witness, in the absence of the secretary.

After a collation with the authentic copy of date and subscription as above, this is found to agree therewith.

In Albany, the $\frac{5}{15}$ of March, 166$\frac{7}{8}$.

In my presence,

D. V. Schelluyne, Secretary, 166$\frac{7}{8}$.

Appeared before us, undersigned, commissaries of Albany, etc., the honorable Gerrit Lansingh, who declares that in true rights, free ownership, he grants, conveys, and makes over by these presents to and for the behoof of Jan Bricker, in his certain house and lot as said Bricker has purchased from him and occupies the same, and as the same was received by the grantor by conveyance and delivery from Jan Van Bael, of date the $\frac{15}{25}$ April, 1667; standing and lying here in Albany, built upon, fenced, enclosed and bounded according to the tenor and contents of the aforesaid conveyance, by virtue of the same and of a patent and other proofs to which reference is herein made, and which with the delivery of this paper are to be made over to said Bricker; without the grantor's making any claim any more on said house and lot, also acknowledging that he is fully paid and satisfied therefor by the hand of said Bricker, the last penny with the first, and therefore, giving said Bricker, his heirs and successors or assigns, *plenam actionem cessam*, and full power to dispose of said house and lot as he might do with his own patrimonial effects; promising to protect and free said house and lot from all trouble, actions and claims of each and every person as is right, and further, never more to do nor suffer anything to be done against the same, either with or without law, in any manner, on pledge of his person and estate, personal and real, nothing excepted, subject to all laws and judges.

Done in Albany $\frac{6}{16}$ of March 166$\frac{7}{8}$.

Gerrit Lansinck.

Goosen Gerritse.
J. Dehinsse.

Acknowledged before me,

D. V. Schelluyne, Secretary, 166$\frac{7}{8}$.

Conditions and proposals according to which certain burghers of Albany are minded to employ a herder for their cattle. *Firstly*, The herder shall be holden to guard the cattle at his own expense, also to keep a proper youngster with him to watch the cattle, and shall begin to go out with them on the 20th of April, 1667, new style, and not leave off before the 16th of November. *Secondly*, The herder every morning before or with, the rising of the sun, shall blow three times with the horn, and then with the youngster and cattle go out where they can best get feed for the cattle, or where the masters (undersigned) shall order, and about a quarter of an hour before the sun goes down, he shall deliver the cattle at the church. *Thirdly*, If a beast or beasts receive injuries through the neglect of the herder, then the herder shall be holden to make full recompense for the beast or beasts (according to value). *Fourthly*, If the herder shall be found sitting and drinking in any tavern, he shall each time forfeit ten guilders seewant. If a beast or beasts happen to die or run away within the [first] half of the aforesaid time, then not more than half of the herder's recompense therefor, shall be paid, and that punctually at that time. In like manner also, shall all those who have their cattle herded, be holden, as soon as the half of the aforesaid time for herding is out, to pay to the herder the half of the herder's recompense without any delay.

On the aforesaid conditions Uldrick Kleyn accepted the contract and for his pains is to receive twenty guilders in seewant, for every great beast, or for two heifers in place of a great beast, and shall acknowledge and obey Jurriaen Theunisse and Arnout Cornelisse [Viele,] as his superiors for his masters. Below all those who have their cattle herded, pledge their cattle, and the herder pledges his person and estate, nothing excepted, as well having and as to have, under obligation to all laws and judges, and for the confirmation of the same, they have subscribed with their own hands this paper, without craft or guile, this $\frac{2}{12}$ of April, 1667.

Ulderick Klein.
Jurejan Tunsen.
Arnout Cornelisse.

On this $\frac{31\text{st March,}}{10\text{th April,}}$ 1668, Ulderick Cleyn, accepts the aforesaid *cowherdership* according to the aforesaid conditions, except the price for last year, but has now agreed for sixteen guilders in seewant for every great beast or for two heifers in place of one great beast, and he shall be holden to begin his driving on Friday the $\frac{3}{13}$ of April, of this year, and shall not stop before the $\frac{6}{16}$ of November, and shall acknowledge and obey as his superiors, for his masters, Jan Clute and Doctor (*Meester*) Cornelis Van Dyck. In acknowledgment of the truth of which, the aforesaid herder and the aforesaid masters with their own hands have subscribed this paper.

Done in Albany of date as above.

Ulderick Klein.
Johannes Clute.
Cornelis Van Dyck.

On the aforesaid conditions of the year 1668, the aforesaid Uldrick Cleyn has again accepted the herdership, on condition that he shall begin to drive out the cattle on the $\frac{13}{23}$ of April, 1669, and not stop until the

$\frac{6}{16}$ of November of the same year. And he shall receive for each great beast fourteen guilders in seewant, or for two heifers as much as for one great beast, and shall acknowledge and obey as his superior, for his masters the Honorable Dirck Wesselse [Ten Broeck] and Hendrick Bries.

Done in Albany this $\frac{5}{15}$ of April, 1669.

ULDERICK KLEIN.
DIERCK WESSELSE.
HENDRICK BRIES.

On this 8th of April, 1670, Sacharias Sickels accepted the aforesaid *cow-herdership* on the conditions aforewritten and aforesaid, provided he with his youngster and the cattle shall begin to go out on the 12th of this month and shall not stop before the 6th of November, old style, and shall receive for his pains seventeen guilders in seewant, and shall acknowledge and obey as his superior, for his masters the Honorable Jan Vinhagen and Heyndrick Kuyler.

Done in Albany of date as above.

SACHARIAS SECKELS.
JAN VINHAEGHEN.
HENDRICK COYLER.

1671 the 27th of March, promises to herd [the cattle]:

Harman Gansevoort for	*f*	23
Sacharias Sickles for	*f*	20
Harman Gansevoort,	*f*	19
Sacharias Sickles,	*f*	18
Jacobus Gerritse Van Vost,[1]	*f*	17
Sacharias Sickles,	*f*	16

1672 the 28th of March:

Jurriaen Janse Groonewout,	*f*	25
Jacob Tyssen Van der Heyden,	*f*	19
Jan Mangelse,	*f*	18
Sacharias Sickles,	*f*	17

* * * * * * under subjection and authority as above.

Done in Albany the $\frac{14}{24}$ of August, 1667.

WILLEM TELLER.

Present with the *weesmeesters*,
Philip Pieterse Schuyler.
Goosen Gerritse and the officer
Gerard Swart.

Acknowledged before me,
D. V. SCHELLUYNE, Secretary, 1667.

[The above paper seems to be the closing sentence of a mortgage deed given to secure his infant children's inheritance from their mother.]

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[1] Jacobus G. Van Vorst was born in 1642.—*Notarial Papers*, I. He was for a time public porter and carman.—*Albany Annals*, XI, 94-8. In 168½ he bound out his son Gillis, aged eleven years, to Jeronimus Wendel for six years.—*Notarial Papers*, II. This son removed to Schenectady and became the ancestor of the Van Vorsts of that vicinity.

The above obligation being first read, Willem Tailler answers that he does not know what he subscribed to, but the orphan masters suggested that he should select out of his effects whatever he pleased, out of which payment can be made to his infant children according to the sentence [of court]; with respect to his grown up children, he said that he assented thereto for their portion (namely that he, Tailler, should deliver to the two grown up ones an obligation, and with the first opportunity make payment to Helena, which agreement was arranged between him and Andries Teller and Pieter Van Alen in the presence of the orphan masters; and regarding the portion of Helena he said that he would reduce what she is to have according to settlement, excepting what by the aforesaid sentence is not to be done), he said also that he would give the orphan masters security as they demanded anew. "I shall provide for the payment, provided I receive payment of ten per cent interest yearly until the infants shall come of age;" the orphan masters, on the contrary, maintained that he, Tailler, be holden to sign the aforesaid obligation; the disagreement about which was turned over to the right honorable, the governor general, for his honor's decision in the matter.

Done in Albany the $\frac{23}{2}$ $\frac{\text{July,}}{\text{Aug.,}}$ 1667.

Present, the Orphan Masters.

Willem Tailler and his wife.

$\frac{23}{2}$ $\frac{\text{July,}}{\text{Aug.,}}$ 1667, I, the court messenger, with the Heer *schout* repaired to the house and dwelling of Willem Teller, and for the third time asked him whether he would sign the obligation shown him; if not, I was authorized by the honorable court to proceed to execution. Willem Teller answered that he could not see that the obligation was according to sentence, but was willing, as he before said, to give security on his estate according to the sentence of the court of assize given, again requesting his honor's decision thereon.

By me G. Swart, *Schout.*

Ludovicus Cobes, Court Messenger of Albany, etc.

On date as above, the Heer officer reported to Willem Teller, that he, Teller, should give satisfaction to his daughter Helena, and make payment according to sentence of the court of assize, abating what he was to have by settlement; with regard to the infant children that he point out his estate to the satisfaction of the same, according to sentence as above. Willem Teller answered that he had nothing against the same but it was indeed reasonable, and that he would perform the same whenever it pleased them according to sentance of the honorable court.

G. Swart, *Schout.*

By me Ludovicus Cobes, Court Messenger.

(The above registry was made by mistake, and is therefore wholly erased.)

On date as before, the officer by order of the magistrates, in presence of me, the secretary, asked William Teller if he pleased to sign the above-standing obligation, according to agreement made with Andries Teller and Peter Van Allen, and if he would pay the eighty-five beavers to

Helena Tailler according to sentence; thereupon he answered as in the above standing first statement of *schout* and *messenger*, and with respect to Helena, that in case the Heer [governor] general decides that what he is to have on settlement may not be abated (save the settlement which by sentence of the court of assize is not to be done), that he then will pay the full sum for or in behalf of Helena.

Done etc.

By me G. SWART, *Schout.*
D. V. SCHELLUYNE, Secretary, 1667.

On this $\frac{24 \text{ July,}}{3 \text{ Aug.,}}$ 1667, Willem Tailler acknowledges that he is well and truly indebted to his oldest son, Andries Tailler, and Pieter Van Alen, husband and guardian of Maria Tailler, to each, in the sum of five and eighty beavers, according to sentence by the honorable court of Assize, at New York pronounced on the 1st of October, A. D. 1666, abating the value of twenty beavers by the wife of Van Alen received, namely, a *toursse* gown, and a red cloth coat, being clothing of her late mother; promising to pay the aforesaid respective sums according to the tenor and import of the aforesaid sentence, therefor pledging his person and estate, personal and real, having and to have, nothing excepted, subject to all laws and judges.

Done in Albany on date as above.

WILLEM TELLER.

Present one magistrate and two orphan masters:
Philip Pieterse Schuyler.
Jan Verbeeck.
Evert Janse Wendel.

In my presence, D. V. SCHELLUYNE, Secretary, 1667.

According to the order of the Heer [governor] general, of date the 30th July last, Willem Tailler, subscribed the above standing obligation to the behoof of his four infant children on the $\frac{14}{24}$ of August, 1667, with promise also to pay his daughter Helena her portion, of eighty-five beavers.

Present, the orphan masters and magistrates:
Philip Pieterse Schuyler and
Goosen Gerritse,
besides the Heer *Schout G. Swart.*

[Copy.]

I, the undersigned, Helena Tailler, acknowledge that I have received of my father, Willem Tailler, the quantity of eighty-five good beavers, as adjudged to me by the honorable court of assize at New York, on the 1st of October, 1666, and I release him from all claims. In witness of the truth of this I have written and subscribed this with my own hand, in Albany, the $\frac{7}{17}$ of September, 1667. Was subscribed, "Helena Tailler widow of Cornelis Bogardus," and, "In my presence D. V. Schelluyne, Secretary," besides, "As trustees, Philip Pieterse, and D. V. Schelluyne."

* * * * * according to the survey and regulation of the surveyor, of date the $\frac{25 \text{ April,}}{5 \text{ May,}}$ last, which lot the aforesaid Helmer

Otten, at public vendue purchased and paid for according to the conditions [of sale], free and unincumbered (saving the lord's right), and therefore giving to the aforesaid Helmert Otten, his heirs and successors or assigns, full power to dispose thereof, as he might do with his own patrimonial effects, and therefore permission to ask for a patent for the aforesaid lot of the right honorable the Heer [governor] general.

Done in Albany the $\frac{29}{8}$ $\frac{\text{May,}}{\text{June,}}$ 1668.

R. V. Rensselaer.

Acknowledged before me,

D. V. Schelluyne, Secretary, 1668.

[A portion of the above deed is wanting.]

The magistrates of Albany, colony of Rensselaerwyck and Schanechtade, declare by these presents that in true rights, free ownership, they grant, convey and make over to and for the behoof of Jan Clute, in lot No. 11, lying on the hill here in Albany, breadth in front two rods nine feet, in rear two rods ten feet four inches, on the east side two rods eleven feet and nine inches, adjoining on the west Helmer Otten, on the north the public street, on the east Jan Clute himself, and on the south Jacob Loockermans, according to the survey and regulation of the surveyor, of date the $\frac{25}{5}$ $\frac{\text{April,}}{\text{May,}}$ last, which lot the aforesaid Jan Clute, at public vendue purchased and paid for according to conditions of sale; free and unincumbered (excepting the lord's right), and therefore giving full power to the aforenamed Jan Clute, his heirs and successors or assigns, to dispose thereof as he might do with his patrimonial effects; and therefore permission to ask of the right honorable the Heer general, a patent for the aforesaid lot.

Done in Albany the $\frac{29}{8}$ $\frac{\text{May,}}{\text{June,}}$ 1668.

R. V. Rensselaer.

Acknowledged before me,

D. V. Schelluyne, Secretary, 1668.

The commissaries of Albany, etc., declare by these presents, that in true rights, free ownership, they grant, convey and make over to Mr. Goosen Gerritse [Van Schaick] in a lot, No. 12, lying on the hill here in Albany (to and for the behoof his son-in-law, Hendrick Coster), breadth in front two rods seven feet and two inches, in rear two rods five and a half feet, length on the west side four rods and four feet, on the east side three rods and eleven feet, adjoining on the east Barent Reyndertse, on the south and west the public streets, and on the north Domine Schaets; according to the survey and regulation of the surveyor, of date the $\frac{25}{3}$ $\frac{\text{April,}}{\text{May,}}$ last, which lot the said Goosen Gerritse purchased and paid for at public vendue according to conditions of sale; free and unincumbered, save the the lord's right, and therefore giving full power to the aforesaid Goosen Gerritse (to the behoof as before), his heirs and successors or assigns.
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[The remainder of this deed is wanting.]

Appeared before me, Ludovicus Cobes, secretary of Albany, colony Rensselaerswyck and Schaenhechtade, in the presence of the right honorable the Heeren magistrates of said jurisdiction, Mons. Ryckart Van Rens-

selaer and Mr. Jan Verbeeck, Jan Lewis, soldier in the service of his majesty, king of England, who acknowledges that he is well and truly indebted to Jurriaen Janse Groenewout, in the quantity of one hundred and two good whole and merchantable beaver skins, reckoned at eight guilders a piece, growing out of the matter of three remaining installments, for the purchase and payment of a certain house and lot, by the said Lewis, of him bought, according to contract thereof, of date the 8th of Sept., *anno* 1669, which aforesaid sum of one hundred and two beaver skins, said Lewis promises to pay according to the tenor and contents of the same, in three installments, of a third part of said sum each, the first on the first of August, 1670, the second and third each a year thereafter, therefor pledging specially the aforesaid house and lot, and further, generally, his person and estate, personal and real, present and future, nothing excepted, subject to all laws and judges, to secure the payment, if necessary, without cost and loss.

Done in Albany, in the 22d year of his majesty's reign, the 9th of Feb., *annoque Domini*, 1669.

JOHN LEWIS.

R. V. Rensselaer.
Jan Verbeeck.

In my presence,

LUDOVICUS COBES, Secretary.

Appeared before me, Ludovicus Cobes, secretary of Albany, etc., in the presence of the right honorable the Heeren magistrates of the same jurisdiction, Mr. Jan Verbeeck and Mr. Philip Pieterse Schuyler, Pieter Adriaense [Soegemackelyck], who declares that in true rights, free ownership, he grants, conveys and makes over, by these presents, to and for the behoof of his son Pieter Pieterse, his heirs and successors or assigns, the grantor's certain lot, with a part of a garden, and the fruit trees, standing and lying on Lubbede's land in the colony Rensselaerswyck, according to the proofs of his title existing, stretching along and adjoining the lot of Barent Pieterse [Coeymans], the same in length and breadth, as it lies in fence, free and unincumbered, with no claim standing or issuing against the same, except the right of the Heer patroon of the colony, without the grantor's making the least pretensions thereto any more; also acknowledging that he is fully paid therefor, the last penny with the first, and therefore giving *plenam actionem cessam*, and full power to the aforenamed Pieter Pieterse, his heirs and successors or assigns, to dispose thereof, as he might do his own patrimonial estate and effects; promising to protect and free the aforesaid lot, and part of the garden and fruit trees, from all trouble, claims or actions, of each and every person as is right, and never more to do nor suffer anything to be done against the same, either with or without law, in any manner, on pledge according to law.

Done in Albany, the 11th of Feb., 1669.

PIETER ADRIAENS.

Philip Pieterse.
Jan Verbeeck.

In my presence,

LUDOVICUS COBES, Secretary.

N. B. This conveyance is made with this reserve, that the grantor shall receive a half of the stones which lie by the house, and yearly two skipples of apples from the fruit trees.

Appeared before me, Ludovicus Cobes, secretary of Albany, etc., in the presence of the right honorable Heeren commissaries, etc., Mr. Jan Verbeeck and Mr. Philip Pieterse Schuyler, Pieter Van Olinda,[1] inhabitant of Schaenhechtade, who declares that in true rights, free ownership, he grants, conveys and makes over by these presents, to and for the behoof of Mr. Jan Clute, his heirs and successors or assigns, the grantor's certain great island lying on the *Maaquaas kil* (Mohawk river) at Canastagioené (*Niskayuna*) to his wife Hilleken Cornelise [Van Slyck], given by the sachems of the Mohawks, the lawful owners, of date the 11th of June, 1667, with such title as the grantor has therein, lying and bounded according to the contents of the patent thereof to him, the grantor, given by the right honorable the Heer governor general of New York, Richard Nicoll, on the 8th of May, 1668, to which reference is herein made; free and unincumbered, without any claim standing or lying against the same, excepting the lord's right, without the grantor's making the least claim thereto any more, also acknowledging that he is fully satisfied and paid therefor, the last penny with the first, and therefore giving *plenam actionem cessam*, and full power to the aforesaid Mr. Jan Clute, his heirs and successors or assigns, to do with and dispose of the same as he might do with his patrimonial estate and effects; promising to protect and free the aforesaid island and the title thereof from all trouble, claims and liens of each and every person as is right, and further, never more to do nor suffer anything to be done against the same, either with or without law, in any manner, on pledge according to law.

Done in Albany the 4th of March, 1669.

PIETER DANIELSE VAN OLINDA.

Jan Verbeeck.
Philip Pieterse.

In my presence,

LUDOVICUS COBES, Secretary.

Appeared before me, Ludovicus Cobes, secretary of Albany, etc., in the presence of the right honorable Heeren commissaries, Mons. Ryckart Van Rensselaer and Mr. Jan Verbeeck, Sander Leendersen Glen dwelling at Schaenhechtade, who declares that in true rights, free ownership, he grants, conveys and makes over, by these presents to and for the behoof of his three sons, Jacob, Sander and Johannes Sanderse Glen, in a certain parcel of land lying between the [Round] lake and the [Mohawk] river over against the village of Schaenhechtade, consisting of fifty morgens, according to patent thereof from the right honorable heer governor general of New York, of date the 3rd of November, 1665, to which reference is herein made; free and unincumbered, with no claim standing or issuing

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[1] Pieter Van Olinda's wife, Hilletie, was a half-breed, her mother being a Mohawk woman and her father Cornelis Antonissen Van Slyck. Her brother, Jacques Cornelise Van Slyck, settled at Schenectady. Hilletie for many years was employed as one of the provincial interpreters, and seems greatly to have interested Messrs. Dancker and Sluyter in their visit to Schenectady in 1680. She died the 10th of Feb, 1707. Peter Van Olinda made his will 1st of Aug., 1715, and speaks of sons Daniel, Jacob, and Matthys who was *non compos mentis*. He had land at the Willow Flat below Port Jackson, and at the Bogh in Watervliet.

against the same, saving the lord's right, without the grantor's making the least pretension any more to the same; also acknowledging that he is fully paid and satisfied therefor, the last penny with the first, by the hands of his three sons, shown by an honest statement, and therefore giving *plenam actionem cessam*, and full power to his aforesaid sons, their heirs and successors or assigns, to do with and dispose of the same as they might do with their patrimonial estate and effects; promising to protect and free the aforesaid land from all trouble, claims and liens of every person as is right, and further, never more to do nor suffer anything to be done, either with or without law, in any manner, on pledge according to law.

Done in Albany the 9th of March, 1669.

SANDER LENRSE GLEN.

R. V. Rensselaer.
Jan Verbeeck.

In my presence,

LUDOVICUS COBES, Secretary.

Appeared before us, undersigned, commissaries of Albany, etc., the honorable Cornelis Theunisse Van Vechten,[1] husbandman in the aforesaid colony, and Sara Salomonse [Goewey], his wife, daughter of Salomon Abelse, deceased, in his lifetime carpenter here, born in Amsterdam, Holland, give notice that Sara Salomonse and her four brothers and sister, namely, Philip, Jacob, Jan, David and Lysbet (of whom are still living, besides Sara, the aforesaid Jacob, Jan and Lysbet Salomonse), that by the will of her uncle, Poppe Abelse, deceased at Amsterdam aforenamed, each inherited the sum of one hundred guilders capital, which capital was put out at interest there, the interest to accumulate until it amounted to at least fifty guilders, for each of the aforesaid hundred guilders capital, and of which their guardians, named Cornelis Brantse and Benningh Weyman, dwelling at Amsterdam aforenamed, have the disposition and management; and as they, the subscribers, the value of the aforesaid hundred and fifty guilders, Holland money, acknowledge that they have received to their good content and satisfaction, in diverse goods and commodities, by the hands of Myndert Frederickse, smith, in Albany aforesaid, therefore the subscribers, by these presents, declare that they grant, convey and make over to the aforenamed Myndert Frederickse, smith, his attorney or the lawful bearer of this, their aforesaid right and hereditary portion, in said inheritance by the will of her uncle, Poppen Abelse, aforenamed, to the sum of one hundred guilders capital, abovementioned, with the aforesaid interest (accumulated to the full and complete sum according to said will), whom they authorize and fully empower, to demand, collect and receive said hundred guilders, capital and interest, in Holland, from the aforesaid guardians, or from whom it may concern, as his own estate, without the subscribers' making the least pretensions thereto any more, also acknowledging that they are well satisfied and paid therefor as above, and therefore releasing all their rights and title to the aforesaid inheritance, to the behoof as above, promising never more to do, nor suffer anything to be done against the same, either with or without law, in any manner,

[1] Cornelis Teunise Van Vechten, *alias* Keesoom, lived upon the island below Albany, called Paapsknee.—*Annals of Albany*, VII, 102. He had three wives: first, Sara Salomonse [Goewey]; second, Annatie Leendertse [Conyn]; and third, Maria Lucase, widow of Jacob Claas, whom he married 3d July, 1689. He had six children, perhaps more, of whom were Salomon, Dirk, Leendert, Lucas; Anna and Jannetie, the last three by the last wife.

on pledge of their persons and estates, nothing excepted, subject to all laws and judges.

Done in Albany, the $\frac{27 \text{ June,}}{7 \text{ July,}}$ 1668.

CORNELIS TEUNISSE.

This mark is set by SARA SALOMONSE.[1]

Philip Pieterse Schuyler.
J. Dehinsse.

Acknowledged before me,

D. V. SCHELLUYNE, Secretary, 1668.

Appeared before us, undersigned, commissaries of Albany, etc., Mr. Gerrit Slichtenhorst, who declares that in true rights, free ownership, he grants, convey and makes over by these presents, to and for the behoof of Hendrick Bries,[2] a lot, in breadth twenty-three feet, breadth and boundaries according to the contract, of date the $\frac{19}{29}$ September, 1666, lying here in Albany, by virtue of the patent for a greater lot to the grantor given by the right honorable Heer general Richard Nicolls, of date the 27th of April, 1667, and therefore giving full *actionem cessam*, and power to the aforenamed Bries, his heirs and successors or assigns, to dispose thereof, as he might do with his own patrimonial effects; without the grantor's making the least pretension thereto any more, also acknowledging that he is fully paid and satisfied therefor by the hands of said Bries; and therefore promising to protect and free the same from all trouble and claims of each and every person, and further, never more to do nor suffer anything to be done against the same, either with or without law, in any manner, on pledge of his person and estate, nothing excepted, subject to all laws and judges.

Done in Albany, the $\frac{2}{12}$ July, 1668.

GERRIT SLICHTENHORST.

Philip Pieterse Schuyler.
Goosen Gerritse.

In my presence,

D. V. SCHELLUYNE, Secretary, 1668.

Appeared before us, undersigned, commissaries of Albany, Mr. Gerrit Slichtenhorst, who declares that in true rights, free ownership, he grants, conveys and makes over by these presents, to and for the behoof of Frans Janse Pruyn,[3] in a certain lot lying here in Albany, in breadth, length

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[1] At least two of Sara S. Goewey's brothers settled in Albany: Jacob, who owned a house and lot, which he contracted to sell to Sara Van Borsum, in 1675 (*Deeds*, I, 260), and perhaps left the village; and Jan, who married Cuatje Loockermans, and had a family of ten children, all baptized here. The latter was naturalized the 13th of March, 1716 (*Annals of Albany*, VIII, 50), and died 28th September, 1731.—*Ibid.*, I. In 1786, his house and lot were on the east side of Broadway, next south of Bleecker Hall.—*Ibid.*, I, 106.

[2] Hendrik Bries had one son, Antony, who married Catryn Ryckman, by whom he had five daughters and a son Hendrik.

[3] Frans Janse Pruyn was in Albany as early as 1665 (*Deeds*, I, 200); being a papist he could not take the oath of allegiance in 1699.—*Albany Annals*, III, 280. In 1703, he had a lot on the east corner of Maiden Lane and James street.—*Ibid.*, IV, 183. By his wife Alida or Aeltje, who died in 1701, he had eight children, Helena, wife of Jacob Lansing, Samuel, Johannes, Maria, wife of Elbert Gerritse, Christina, Frans, Barentje, and Arent.—*Church Records.*

and boundaries according to the tenor and contents of the contract of the $\frac{19}{29}$ of September, 1666, and by virtue of a patent for a greater lot, of date the 27th of April, 1667, to him granted by the right honorable Heer general Richard Nicolls, and therefore giving full power to said Frans Janse Pruyn, his heirs and successors or assigns, to dispose of the aforesaid lot as he might do with his patrimonial effects; also acknowledging that he is fully paid and satisfied therefor by the hands of said Frans Janse Pruyn; therefore promising to protect and free said lot from all trouble and claims of every person as is right, and further, never more to do nor suffer anything to be done against the same, either with or without law, in any manner, on pledge of his person and estate, nothing excepted, subject to all laws and judges.

Done in Albany of date as above.

GERRIT SLICHTENHORST.

Philip Pieterse Schuyler.
Goosen Gerritse.

In my presence,

D. V. SCHELLUYNE, Secretary, 1668.

Appeared before us, undersigned, commissaries of Albany, etc., Mr. Gerrit Slichtenhorst, who declares that in true rights, free ownership, he grants, conveys and makes over by these presents, to and for the behoof of Gerrit Lansingh, in a certain lot, breadth five and twenty feet, length to the lot of Robert Sandertse, adjoining on the east side Hendrick Bries, on the south side the public street, on the west side the grantor, and on the north the aforesaid Robert Sandertse, by virtue of a patent of date the 27th of April, 1667, given him by the right honorable Heer general Richard Nicolls, and therefore giving to the aforenamed Gerrit Lansingh, his heirs and successors or assigns *plenam actionem cessam*, and full power to dispose thereof as he might do with his patrimonial effects, also acknowledging that he is fully paid and satisfied therefor by the hands of said Gerrit Lansingh; and therefore promising to protect and free said lot from all trouble and claims of every person as is right, and further, never more to do nor suffer anything to be done against the same, either with or without law, in any manner, on pledge of his person and estate, nothing excepted, subject to all laws, and judges.

Done in Albany the $\frac{2}{12}$ July, 1668.

GERRIT SLICHTENHORST.

Philip Pieterse Schuyler.
Goosen Gerritse.

In my presence,

D. V. SCHELLUYNE, Secretary, 1668.

By virtue and in consequence of the conveyance by Mr. Gerrit Slichtenhorst, passed of this date to the behoof of Gerrit Lansingh, of a lot lying here in Albany, of breadth, length, and boundaries according to the tenor and contents of the same, Gerrit Lansingh declares that in true rights, free ownership, he grants, conveys and makes over in said lot with the house and barn thereon standing to Barent Albertse [Bratt],[1] his heirs and successors

[1] Barent Albertse Bratt lived in 1700 without the north gate just west of the main guard, near or on the east corner of Steuben street and Broadway; he had frequent warnings from the common council not to fence in certain grounds there belonging to the city.—*Annals of Albany*, IV, 109, 127, X, 60; *Deeds*, I, 313. In 1710 he had a lot on Fox creek.—*Ibid.*, X, 92.

or assigns, also acknowledging that he is fully paid and satisfied therefor by the hand of said Barent Albertse, and therefore giving and conveying to said Barent Albertse such title in said lot as he received from Gerrit Slichtenhorst, acknowledging also that he is fully paid and satisfied by said Barent Albertse for the house and barn standing thereon; promising never more to do nor suffer anything to be done against the same, either with or without law, in any manner, on pledge of his person and estate, nothing excepted, subject to all laws and judges.

Done in Albany the $\frac{2}{12}$ of July, 1668.

GERRIT LANSINCK.

Philip Pieterse Schuyler.
Goosen Gerritse.

In my presence,

D. V. SCHELLUYNE, Secretary, 1668.

Appeared before us, undersigned, commissaries of Albany, etc., Mr. Adriaen Gerritse [Papendorp], burgher and inhabitant here in Albany, who declares that in true rights, free ownership, he grants, conveys and makes over to and for the behoof of Carsten Frederickse, master smith, in a garden, allotment No. 5, lying in Albany, as it lies enclosed and fenced, adjoining on the east side the Heer director Jeremias Van Rensselaer, on the south side the burial ground (*kerckhoff*), on the west side the public street and on the north side Mr. Abraham Staets, by virtue and in consequence of a deed of conveyance of date the 28th of October A. D. 1656, from Adriaen Janse Van Ilpendam to his behoof passed; therefore giving *plenam actionem cessam*, and full power to said Carsten Frederickse, smith, his heirs and successors or assigns, to dispose of the same as he might do with his own patrimonial effects, also acknowledging that he is fully paid and satisfied therefor; promising said garden to protect and free from all trouble and claims as is right, and further, never more to do nor to suffer anything to be done against the same, either with or without law, in any manner, on pledge of his person and estate, nothing excepted, subject to all laws and judges.

Done in Albany the $\frac{3}{13}$ of July, 1668.

ADRIAEN GERRITSEN.

Goosen Gerritse.
Philip Pieterse Schuyler.

In my presence,

D. V. SCHELLUYNE, Secretary, 1668.

Appeared before us, undersigned, commissaries of Albany, etc., Myndert and Carsten Frederickse, brothers, dwelling here in Albany, who declare that in true rights, free ownership, they grant, convey and make over by these presents, to and for the behoof of Jan Clute, in a garden lot lying here in Albany, breadth four and a half rods, length seven and a half rods, adjoining on the south Thomas Sandertse, to the east Jacob Clomp, to the north the road, and to the west a low plain, by virtue and in consequence of a deed of conveyance of the 30th of July, 1655, by Cornelis Steenwyck, as attorney for Gabriel Leendertse to their behoof passed; therefore giving *plenam actionem cessam*, and full power to the aforesaid Jan Clute, his heirs and successors or assigns, to dispose of the aforesaid lot as he might do with his patrimonial effects; also ac-

knowledging that he is fully paid and satisfied therefor; and therefore promising the aforesaid lot to protect and free from all trouble and claims of every person as is right, and further, never more to do, nor suffer anything to be done against the same, either with or without law, in any manner, on pledge of his person and estate, nothing excepted, subject to all laws and judges.

Done in Albany, the $\frac{3}{13}$ of July, 1668.

This mark + is set by MYNDERT FREDERICKSE.
KARSTEN FREDERICKSE.

Philip Pieterse Schuyler.
Goosen Gerritse.

In my presence, D. V. SCHELLUYNE, Secretary, 1668.

Appeared before us, undersigned, commissaries, of Albany, etc., Mr. Philip Pieterse Schuyler, our *raedsvrunt*, and Margareta Slichtenhorst, his wife, dwelling here at Albany in America, who declare that they have appointed and fully empowered by these presents the Heer Johan Baptist Van Renssalaer, merchant at Amsterdam, Holland, with his brother-in-law, Mr. Gerrit Slichtenhorst (who is proposing to depart for Holland) to inquire after the condition and inventory of the estate or a copy of the will which may have been made by the Heer Brant Van Slichtenhorst deceased, father of the aforenamed Margareta and Gerrit Slichtenhorst, (deceased at Nieukerek in Gelderland), and furthermore, their (subscriber's) contingent and hereditary portion in the aforesaid inheritance, to demand, collect, and receive; acquittance for receipts to pass, if need be and the matter demands it, with his aforenamed brother-in-law, to examine, seek out and approve of the condition and inventory of the estate; to compromise, compound and arrange the real estate, lands, houses, and lots, as also the movables which may fall to the subscribers as a part of their inheritance to sell; the aforesaid real estate to establish and vest in the purchaser, the subscribers to disestablish and disinherit from the same, the stipulated purchase money to receive, of the receipts acquittance to pass, and if necessary (there being no hope) their aforesaid rights and claims, in their said inheritance, by justice to demand, collect, and receive from those who have the care of the same, to that end all the terms of the laws to observe to sentence and extreme execution of the same *inclays*, with power also one or more persons in his place to substitute, having the like or limited power; and further all things to do, transact and perform, either with or without law, as he may think needful and reasonable; promising at all times to hold as true all that by the aforenamed Heer attorney and substitutes of the same by virtue hereof shall be done and performed without any gainsaying, on pledge according to the laws for that case made, provided that the attorney be holden, when requested, properly to answer for his transactions and receipts.

Done in Albany the $\frac{3}{13}$ July, 1668.

PHILIP PIETERSE SCHUYLER
MARGARITA VAN SLICHTENHORST.

Goosen Gerritse.
Jan Thomas.

In my presence,

D. V. SCHELLUYNE, Secretary, 1668.

Appeared before us, undersigned, commissaries of Albany, etc., Mr. Goosen Gerritse [Van Schaick], and Jan Coster Van Aecken, as attorneys for Anthony Janse, who declare in said character, that in true rights, free ownership, they grant, convey, and make over by these presents to and for the behoof of Mr. Jan Hendrickse Bruyns, in a certain house and lot and garden at present occupied by Jurriaen Theunisse Glaesmaker, belonging to said Anthony Janse, as he purchased the same from said Jurriaen Theunisse, and by the same was conveyed and made over to him according to the proof thereof existing, delivered over to said Bruyns as the aforesaid house, lot and garden are built upon, fenced, enclosed, standing and lying here in Albany, and bounded according to the tenor and contents of the contract, and further aforesaid evidences, to which reference is herein made, and according to conditions on which the same were offered at public sale and maintained to the last bid, viz: that Bruyns is to receive the rent of the house, lot and garden which Jurriaen Theunisse was to pay therefor to be reckoned from the day of sale, until the end of the lease; without the grantor's (in character as above) making the least pretension thereto any more, also acknowledging that he is fully paid and satisfied therefor by the hands of said Bruyns with the value of the sum of 695 guilders in beavers by exchange on Holland (provided that if there be no hope of the bill of exchange on Holland being paid, then the grantors maintain their right and action, specially to said house, lot, and garden, and further, generally against his person and estate), therefore giving *plenam actionem cessam*, and full power to the aforenamed Jan Hendrickse Bruyns, his heirs and successors or assigns, to dispose of the said house, lot and garden, as he might do with his patrimonial effects; promising to defend and free the same from all trouble, actions and claims of every person, and further, never more to do nor to suffer anything to be done against the same, either with or without law, in any manner, on pledge of their persons and estates, nothing excepted, subject to all laws and judges.

Done in Albany the $\frac{5}{15}$ of July, 1668,

JAN KOSTER.
GOOSEN GERRITSEN.

Philip Pieterse Schuyler.
Jan Thomase.

In my presence,

D. V. SCHELLUYNE, Secretary, 1668.

Appeared before us, undersigned, commissaries of Albany, etc., the honorable Cornelis Van Nes, old commissary, and Maritie Damen, last widow of Henderick Andriesse [Van Doesburgh], deceased, now his wife dwelling here in Albany; who declare that they have appointed and fully empowered by these presents, Lysbet Dirckse Van Eps,[1] daughter of said Maritie Damen, and wife of Gerrit Bancker, proposing to return to Holland. Firstly, for said Cornelis Van Nes, especially to demand, collect and receive from Joost Aertse Vanden Burgh Graoff, his cousin, dwelling at Gornichem in Holland, the yearly rent for three morgens of land lying at Laeckervell, or from those who have occupied the same, due since the 1st of May, A.D.

[1] Lysbet Dirkse Van Eps, was daughter of Dirk Van Eps, first husband of Maritie Damen. Her brother, Jan Baptist Van Eps, settled at Schenectady.

1661, till now, amounting yearly to the sum of forty-eight guilders; and for the receipt of the same acquittance to pass; secondly, in the name and for the sake of said Maritie Damen to demand and receive out of the hands of S. H. Sybingh, merchant at Amsterdam in Holland, a certain instrument sealed with the mark which she left in his hands at Amsterdam aforenamed on the 23d day of August, 1662, according to the receipt thereof from said Sybingh, which by these presents is placed in the hands of the aforesaid Lysbet Dirckse Van Eps, to be delivered over to said Sijbingh with the delivery of the aforesaid sealed instrument, with the commission then to acquit said Sybingh of all claims therefor; and having received said sealed instrument, the same to open and in accordance with the contents of the same, to demand, collect and receive the capital sum of 3,500 guilders with the accrued interest on the same, according to the tenor of said sealed instrument until now, from the honorable Jor Schaep, or if deceased from his heirs or those who are his administrators, dwelling at Doesburgh, for the receipts acquittance to pass; but in case Jor Schaep, or his heirs are pleased to retain the aforesaid capital, this may be done provided sufficient security be offered and an exemplified copy thereof be brought to these subscribers, otherwise the aforesaid capital to take and receive with the aforesaid accrued interest, the capital securely to invest on interest at the *comptoir generael*, in Holland or at Amsterdam or elsewhere; the evidences of the same, likewise to bring or send over and the remainder, the accrued interest, to employ and lay out in such wares and merchandise as the attorney is ordered by the subscribers, to be brought or sent hither; and in case of refusal in either case in regard to the matters aforesaid to further the respective rights and claims of the subscribers by means of justice, to which end all terms of the laws to observe to sentence and extreme execution of the same *in cluys*, with power also one or more persons in her place to substitute having like or limited power, and further all things to do, transact and perform, with or without law, which she may judge needful or proper; promising at all times to hold as true all that by the aforesaid attorney, our daughter Lysabet, or by her substitute shall be done and performed in the matters aforesaid by virtue of these presents, without any gainsaying, on pledge according to law therefor provided, provided the attorney remain holden when requested a proper answer to make of her aforesaid transactions and receipts.

Done in Albany the $\frac{5}{15}$ of July, 1668.

CORNELLIS VAN NES.
MARRIEN DAEMEN.

As witness G. Swart, schout.
Goosen Gerritse.
Philip Pieterse Schuyler.

In my presence,

D. V. SCHELLUYNE, Secretary, 1668.

Appeared before us, undersigned, commissaries of Albany, etc., Jan Coster Van Aecken, who declares that in true rights, free ownership, he grants, conveys, and makes over by these presents, to and for the behoof of Willem Teller, in a lot lying here in Albany on the hill, breadth in front on the street 21 feet, length to the lot of Capt. Backer, and breadth in the rear 20 feet Rynland measure, together with an alley on the west side of said Van Aecken of 3 feet in breadth, which shall remain as a common

alley, so far as the alley extends both in length and breadth must be comprehended, adjoining on the east the grantor, on the south the said street, on the west Jan Van Bael, and on the north Capt. Banker aforesaid; by virtue of a conveyance, of date the $\frac{28}{8}$ November, December, 1667, by the Heeren commissaries to his behoof granted, and therefore giving full power to said Willem Teller, his heirs and successors or assigns, to dispose thereof as he might do with his patrimonial effects, without the grantor's making the least pretension thereto any more, also acknowledging that he is fully paid and satisfied therefor by the hands of Willem Teller, and therefore promising to protect and free the aforesaid lot from all trouble and claims of every person as is right, and further, never more to do nor suffer anything to be done against the same, in any manner, on pledge of his person and estate, nothing excepted, subject to all laws and judges.

Done in Albany the $\frac{6}{16}$ of July, 1668.

JAN KOSTER.

Teunis Cornelisse.
Goosen Gerritse.

In my presence,

D. V. SCHELLUYNE, Secretary, 1668.

Appeared before us, undersigned, commissaries of Albany, etc., Madame Anthonia Slachboom,[1] widow of the late Heer Arent Van Curlar in his life time commissary the colony Rensselaerswyck and our late *raetsvrunt*, who declares that she appoints and fully empowers by these presents Mr. Gerrit Slichtenhorst proposing to depart for Holland specially to demand, collect and receive from the Saeleveer and Olderdom of Huselman's estate, lying in the jurisdiction of Nykerck (in Gelderland) in the district of Nautena, the right and title to the portion of the same, being a free estate (*gevreyt goot*) of the jurisdiction of Paterborn, coming to her, the subscriber, by virtue of the deed of usufruct (*acte van lyfflocht*), which her aforenamed husband, deceased, and she, the subscriber, executed with each other before the Heeren director Diderick Van de Sande and Everard Everroyn, aldermen of the city of Arnherm, of date the 30th of September, 1646, which deed for this purpose was originally delivered over to this attorney by these presents; also from the other lands and effects therein mentioned, alienated and sold by her aforesaid husband during his lifetime; and after the receipt of her over due claims, with the heirs of the aforenamed Huselmans or with those who have the management thereof, to arrange for a full release and acquittal for the further rights which she has therein, or may lay claim to at any future time; and therefore in her name and for her sake fully to release and yield the same and all her actions and claims in respect thereto, and acquittance in the matter aforesaid to pass; all for the recovery of the sum of 1,159 guilders, according to obligation, of date the 9th of October, 1655, by the said Curler passed to the behoof of the honorable Brandt Van Slichtenhorst, deceased, late father of the aforenamed Gerrit Van Slichtenhorst, and also the sum of 27 guilders by settlement, received from this attorney in goods, all to be received in current silver

[1] Antonia Slaghboom was the widow of Jonas Bronck in 1643, when she was betrothed to Arent Van Curler. She resided in Schenectady from the first settlement of that place in 1662 till her death in 1681. In 1672 she was licensed to trade at Schenectady in consideration of the loss of her husband in 1667 in public service, and of her house, barns, and corn by fire. It was thought also that her license would stop the quarrels of the other two tapsters, Cornelis Corn. Viele and Akes Corn. Guatsh [Van Slyck] the Indian—*Order in Council*, p. 127.

money: and further in the matter aforesaid all things to do, transact and perform which he may deem necessary and reasonable; promising at all times to hold true all that shall be done and performed in the matter aforesaid by this attorney without any gainsaying, on pledge, according to law.

Done in Albany the $\frac{6}{16}$ of July, 1668.

This mark is + set by MADAME ANTHONIA SLACHBOOM, aforesaid.

Goosen Gerritse.

Richard Van Rensselaer.

In my presence,

D. V. SCHELLUYNE, Secretary, 1668.

Appeared before us, undersigned commissaries of Albany, etc, Willem Janse Schut, *alias* Dommelaer, dwelling in the aforesaid colony, who declares that he has appointed and fully empowered by these presents, Stoffel Janse Abeel, master carpenter here, proposing to depart for Holland, together with his niece Eyttie Meyndertse, dwelling at Amsterdam in Holland, according to her advise, of date the 12th of April, 1666, specially to demand, collect, and receive, from Symon Jansse, his uncle, dwelling at Wieringer, all that was bequeathed to him by his deceased grandmother, with the accumulated rents on the same, in the custody of his aforesaid uncle; and therefore of the receipts acquittance to pass, and further, all things to do, transact and perform which he may deem needful and reasonable; promising at all times to hold for true all that shall be done and performed by the aforesaid attorney without any gainsaying, on pledge according to laws therefor provided, provided the attorney, when requested, remain holden a proper statement to make of his transactions and receipts.

Done in Albany, the $\frac{6}{16}$ of July, 1668.

WILLEM JANSEN SCHUT.

Goosen Gerretse.

R. V. Rensselaer.

In my presence,

D. V. SCHELLUYNE, Secretary, 1668.

Appeared before us, undersigned, commissaries of Albany, etc., the honorable Jan Vinhagen, master tailor here, born in Geemen in the province of Munster, who declares that he appoints and fully empowers by these presents Mr. Herman Vedder, merchant here, proposing to depart for Holland, specially to demand, collect, and receive from his brother, Willem Vinhagen, dwelling at Geemen aforesaid, what was inherited by him, Willem, and Anthony Vinhagen, his youngest brother, by the decease of their father, Direk Vinhagen, in the year 1659, and their late mother, Aeltie, deceased, in the year aforesaid at Geemen, in the custody of his said brother, Willem Vinhagen, therefore the condition and inventory of the estate to examine, or the will, if one was made; the subscriber's just portion of the aforesaid inheritance having received acquittance therefor to pass, with power also to compromise by selling out or otherwise; and in case of refusal (without hope) his aforesaid portion by means of justice to obtain, to which end all terms of the laws to observe, to sentence and extreme execution of the same *inclays*, with power one or more persons in his place to substitute, having like or limited power; and further, all things to do, transact, and perform which he

may deem needful and reasonable; promising at all times to hold true all that shall be done and performed in the matter aforesaid by said attorney or his substitutes, without any gainsaying, provided that this attorney be holden, when required, a proper statement to make of his transactions and receipts.

Done in Albany, the $\frac{6}{16}$ July, 1668.

JAN VINHAEGEN.

Goosen Gerritse.
R. V. Rensselaer.

In my presence, D. V. SCHELLUYNE, Secretary, 1668.

Appeared before us, undersigned, commissaries of Albany, etc., Adriaen Van Ilpendam, who declares that in true rights, free ownership, he grants, conveys and makes over to Pieter Quackenbos in the brickyard according to the fence thereabout set, lying here in the colony and by said Pieter Quackenbos occupied according to the right and ownership of the ground which he bought and paid for, of madame, the widow of the late Johan de Hulter, now wife of Jeronimus Ebbinck, according to release, of date the 20th of Aug., 1664, on condition that said Quackenbos pay yearly a rent of two Carolus guilders to the Heer director of the colony according to the tenor of the contract therefor, of date the 11th of November, 1657, to which reference is herein made; and therefore giving said Quackenbos, his heirs and successors or assigns, full power to dispose thereof as he might do with his patrimonial effects; also acknowledging that he is fully paid and satisfied therefor, and therefore promising to protect and free the same from all trouble and claims as is right, and never more to do nor suffer anything to be done against the same, in any manner, on pledge of his person and estate, nothing excepted, subject to all laws and judges.

Done in Albany the $\frac{11}{21}$ of July, 1668.

ADRIAEN VAN ILPENDAM.

Goosen. Gerritse.
Philip Pieterse Schuyler.

In my presence,

D. V. SCHELLUYNE, Secretary, 1668.

Appeared before us, undersigned, commissaries of Albany, etc., Arent Janse, master carpenter here, proposing to return to Holland, who declares, that in consequence of the sentence of the court, of date the $\frac{18\text{th}}{28\text{th}}$ June and $\frac{25}{5}$ $\frac{\text{June,}}{\text{July,}}$ of this year, by the honorable court here, he gives a special mortgage bond on his house and lot standing and lying here in Albany as the lot was received by him by conveyance from Hendrick Gerritse Vermeulen, of date the $\frac{23}{3}$ $\frac{\text{April,}}{\text{May,}}$ 1667; free and unincumbered, save the lord's right, together with what was bequeathed to him on the death of his godmother, Lysbet Willemse, in the custody of his brother, Willem Janse, mason, at Amsterdam in Holland; and furthermore, generally his person and estate, personal and real, nothing excepted, subject to all laws and judges; to recover therein without loss or cost, in case it be found at Amsterdam aforesaid that he, the subscriber, is obliged to distribute [pay out] the two hundred and three hundred guilders in the sentence mentioned with the interest thereon, to the estate of the father of Gerritie Gerritse, wife of Arnout Cornelisse [Viele] also dwelling here; but if the contrary be true,

according the allegations of the subscriber, then according to the tenor of the aforesaid sentence this mortgage deed is to be void and of no effect.

Done in Albany the $\frac{13}{23}$ July, 1668.

ARENT JANSE.

J. Dehinsse.
Goosen Gerritse.

In my presence, D. V. SCHELLUYNE, Secretary, 1668.

The commissaries of Albany, etc., declare, by these presents, that in true rights, free ownership, they grant, convey, and make over by these presents, to and for the behoof of Stoffel Janse [Abeel], master carpenter here, in a lot lying here on the hill, breadth two and thirty Rynland feet, length back to the lot of Capt. Abraham Staets, adjoining on the east side the plant cellar, on the south side Capt. Staets, on the west side David Schuyler, and on the north the street; free and unincumbered, excepting the lord's right, which lot said Stoffel Janse has bought and paid for, and therefore giving him, his heirs and successors or assigns, full power to dispose thereof, as he might do with his patrimonial effects; and promising therefore to apply to the right honorable the Heer general for a patent for said lot.

Done in Albany, the $\frac{13}{23}$ of July, 1668.

PHILIP PIETERSE SCHUYLER,

Acknowledged before me, D. V. SCHELLUYNE, Secretary, 1668.

Appeared before us, undersigned, commissaries of Albany, etc., Cornelis Teunise Van Slyck, born at Breuckelen, in the province of Utrecht, late *raetsperson*, of the aforesaid colony, making known that it is certainly reported to him, that his brother Cornelis Theunisse Van Slyck is deceased, in his lifetime having dwelt at Breuckelen aforesaid at the brewery of the Vyffhoeck, also that he has had no tidings for four or five years from his aforesaid brother and other friends and relations, therefore he, the subscriber, appoints and fully empowers by these presents, the honorable Johannes Vander Bogart, alderman of Breuckelen aforenamed, and dependencies of the same, or in case of his honor's decease, whoever may have succeeded to his place, especially in his name and for his sake to find out what has fallen to him by the death of his aforenamed brother or other of his friends by will or *ab intestato*; his rights and claims with respect to the same, as well effects personal as real, actions and credits to receive, the same to his advantage to administer upon, acquittance for receipts to pass, and in case of refusal by means of justice to proceed, with power to substitute another person in his place having like or limited power, and further, all things to do, transact or perform, which he may deem needful or reasonable; promising at all times to hold true all that shall be done and performed in the matter aforesaid by virtue of these presents, by the aforesaid attorney or his substitute, without any gainsaying, on pledge according to laws, provided that the attorney be holden a proper statement to make when requested, of his aforesaid transactions and receipts.

Done in Albany, the $\frac{21}{31}$ July, 1668.

KORNELIS VAN SLICK.

Philip Pieterse Schuyler.
R. V. Rensselaer.

In my presence, D. V. SCHELLUYNE, Secretary, 1668.

Appeared before us, undersigned, commissaries of Albany, etc., Jacob Tyssen Vander Heyden, and John Coneall, who declare that by exchange made with each other, in true rights, free ownership, they grant, convey, and make over by these presents, namely, Jacob Tyssen Vander Heyden to said Coneall in his house and lot, standing and lying here in Albany, by virtue of a deed of conveyance, of date $\frac{10}{20}$ October, 1665, as the same stands fenced and enclosed, excepting a small parcel of ground for an alley lying without the fence, bounded according to the tenor and contents of the aforesaid conveyance; and John Coneal conveys and makes over by these presents, to the behoof of the aforenamed Vander Heyden, his house and lot standing and lying here in Albany on the hill, breadth in front on the street twenty-two feet, and in length six rods, by virtue of patent and contract, of date the 21st of January, 1667, as the lot came to him by purchase from Sergeant Percker; respectively free and unincumbered, with no claims standing or issuing against the same, excepting the lord's right, without either of the parties making the least claims thereto any more; also acknowledging mutually that they are fully paid and satisfied therefor the last penny with the first, and therefore giving the one to the other respectively for their heirs and successors or assigns, *plenam actionem cessam*, and full power each to dispose of his own as they respectively might do with their patrimonial effects; promising the one to the other as before to protect and free the aforesaid houses and lots from all trouble and claims as is right, and further, never more to do nor suffer anything to be done against the same, in any manner, on pledge of their respective persons and estate, nothing excepted, subject to all laws and judges.

Done in Albany the $\frac{29}{8}$ July, Aug., A.D. 1668.

JACOB TEYSSEN.
JOHN CONELL.

R. V. Rensselaer.
Philip Pieterse Schuyler.

In my presence,

D. V. SCHELLUYNE, Secretary

Appeared before us, undersigned, commissaries of Albany, etc., Mr. Johannes Provoost, dwelling here in Albany, who declares that he grants, conveys, and makes over by these presents, to and for the behoof of Harmen Vedder, his brother-in-law, who proposes to return to Holland, a certain sum of eight hundred and thirty guilders, fifteen stuivers and twelve penee, coming to him *per resto* from a settlement, A D. 1664, from the right honorable the directors of the privileged West India Company at the Chamber of Amsterdam in Holland, earned here in the character of assistant in their honors' service, according to the tenor and contents of said settlement placed in the hands of the assignees with the original of this, also acknowledging that he has been fully paid and satisfied therefor in goods received to his satisfaction; therefore giving full power to his aforenamed brother-in-law, Harmen Vedder, or the lawful bearer of this to demand, collect and receive the payment of said sum of *f.* 830. 15. 12. from the aforenamed Heeren directors, acquittance for the receipts to pass, which shall be valid as if granted by the subscriber himself; furthermore all things to do and perform to collect the said sum, which the subscriber could or might do if himself present even though the matter should

demand greater and more special authority than is herein expressed; promising at all times to hold good and true whatever may be done by virtue hereof, on pledge according to law.

Done in Albany in America the $\frac{30}{9}$ July, Aug., 1668.

JOHANNES PROVOOST.

Philip Pieterse Schuyler.
Goosen Gerritse.

In my presence,

D. V. SCHELLUYNE, Secretary, 1668.

Appeared before us, undersigned, commissaries of Albany, etc., Philip Pieterse Schuyler, who declares that in true rights, free ownership, he grants, conveys and makes over by these presents, to and for the behoof of Mr. Abraham Staets, in a house and lot,[1] with a garden over the back [Dean] street, by virtue of a patent and conveyance, of date the 24th of April, 1667, and $\frac{9}{15}$ of June, 1666, respectively, also according to contract, of date $\frac{10}{20}$ of February, of the year 1666, the lot extending along the street, in breadth thirty wood feet, in length back to the fence of the brewery of Herman Rutgers, where it is of like breadth; the little alley[2] that runs to the garden, is included herein, the said part lot, house and garden lies here in Albany, and is bounded according to the description and contents of the contract therefor; to which reference is herein made, received by said grantor, from Volckert Janse [Douw], attorney for Hendrick Jochimse, without the grantor's making the least claim thereto any more, also acknowledging that he is fully paid and satisfied therefor, the last penny with the first, by the hands of the aforenamed Mr. Abraham Staats, and therefore giving *plenam actionem cessam*, and full power to the aforesaid Mr. Abraham Staats, his heirs and successors or assigns, to do with and dispose thereof as he might do with his patrimonial estate and effects; promising to protect and free the said house, lot and garden from all trouble, claims and liens of every person as is right, and further, never more to do nor suffer anything to be done against the same, either with or without law, in any manner, on pledge according to law.

Done in Albany the $\frac{5}{15}$ September, 1668.

PHILIP PIETERSE SCHUYLER.

R. V. Rensselaer.
J. Dehinsse.

In my presence, LUDOVICUS COBES, Secretary.

Appeared before us, undersigned, commissaries of Albany, etc., Claes Frederickse Van Petten,[3] and Cornelis Cornelise Viele,[4] husbandmen dwell-

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[1] This lot was a part of the lot fronting on Broadway, on which the Exchange now stands.

[2] This little alley widened, is now contained in that part of State street, between Broadway and the river.

[3] Claes Frederickse Van Petten was in Schenectady as early as 1664, when with Isaac Corn. Swits, he hired Willem Teller's *bouwery*, No. 5, on the Great Flat. Subsequently he purchased Sander Leendertse Glen's *bouwery*, No. 3. By his wife, Aeffie Arentse Bratt, he had three daughters and two sons, Andries and Claas, both of whom lived in Schenectady and left families. He died Oct. 3, 1728, aged 87 years 5 months. His wife died January 23d, 1728, aged 78.

[4] Cornelis Cornelise Viele, one of the early settlers of Schenectady, left a numerous family, six of whom were sons and left families, save perhaps, the last. They were: Arnout who was an Indian interpreter and lived in Albany, Cornelis, Pieter, and Tennis who settled in Schenectady, Lewis who removed to Schaghticoke, and Volkert; besides daughters. The lands early belonging to this family were on the Mohawk river, three miles west of Schenectady.

ing at Schaenhechtade, who acknowledge that they are well and truly indebted to Marten Cornelise [Van Ysselstein[1]] in the quantity of two hundred and twenty beavers reckoned at eight guilders a piece, growing out of a matter of two remaining installments for the purchase and payment for a certain *bouwery*, dwelling house, barn and three ricks, with four horses, five milch cows, eight hogs, cart, plough and harrow purchased by the subscribers from him according to contract thereof, of date the $\frac{4}{14}$ July, 1667, which aforesaid sum of two hundred and twenty beavers, the subscribers, according to the tenor and contents thereof, promise to pay, to wit, one hundred and ten beavers in the month of February, 1669, and the remaining one hundred and ten beavers in the month of February, 1670, punctually; pledging specially the aforesaid *bouwery* and effects, and further, generally, their persons and estates, personal and real, having and to come, nothing excepted, subject to all laws.

Done in Albany, the 23d October, 1668.

CLAES FREDRICKSE.
CORNELIS CORNELISE VIELE.

R. V. Rensselaer.
Abram Staes.

This mortgage is satisfied as it respects the payment of Cornelis Cornelise Viele, but of Claes Van Petten not yet. Albany, 17 Sept., 1670.

Appeared before us, undersigned, commissaries of Albany, etc., Marten Cornelise [Van Ysselstein] husbandman, who declares that in true rights, free ownership, he grants, conveys and makes over by these presents to and for the behoof of Claes Frederickse Van Petten and Cornelis Cornelise Veilen, husbandmen at Schaenectade, their heirs and successors or assigns, in the grantor's certain *bouwery*, with dwelling house, barn, three ricks, four horses, five milch cows, eight hogs, cart, plough and harrow, standing and lying at Schaenectade, at present in possession of said Claes Frederickse and Cornelis Cornelisse, and according to patent of the right honorable Heer general, of date the 13 April, 1668, to the grantor given, and to the contract for the aforesaid *bouwery* and effects passed, of date $\frac{4}{14}$ July, 1667, all of which are by these presents delivered to the aforenamed Claes Frederickse and Cornelis Cornelise, and regarding the boundaries, length and breadth of the aforesaid *bouwery* the grantor refers to the aforesaid four documents, acknowledging that he is fully paid and satisfied for the aforesaid *bouwery* and effects by the hands of said Claes Frederickse and Cornelis Cornelise, namely with the sum of one hundred and ten beavers by him to his content received and with a mortgage for two hundred and twenty beavers according to the tenor of the aforesaid contract, without the grantor's hereafter making the least claim any more thereto, and therefore giving *plenam actionem cessam*, and full power to said Claes Frederickse and Cornelis Cornelise, and their heirs, to dispose thereof as they might do with their patrimonial effects;

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[1] Marten Cornelisse Van Ysselstein or Esselstyn, was one of the fourteen first proprietors of Schenectady. After the sale of his *bouwery* there he removed to Claverack, where his descendants are still found. He was born in the city of Ysselstein, his wife Mayke Cornelise in Berrevelt; they made a joint will in 1677. He was not living in 1705, when his eldest son and heir, Cornelis Martense [Van Ysselstein] confirmed the conveyance to Van Petten of the Schenectady property.

promising to protect and free the aforesaid *bouwery* and effects from all trouble, actions and claims of every person as is right, and further, never more to do nor suffer anything to be done against the same, either with or without law, in any manner, on pledge according to law.

Done in Albany, 23d of October, 1668.

The mark of + MARTEN CORNELISE,
with his own hand set.

R. V. Rensselaer.
Abram Staes.

In my presence,

LUDOVICUS COBES, Secretary.

Appeared before us, undersigned, commissaries of Albany, etc , Rhynier Vander Coelen, dwelling in the Esopus, at present here in Albany, who acknowledges that he is well and truly indebted to Skipper Lucas Andriesse and Jan Joosten, dwelling at New York, in the sum of three hundred and forty-one guilders and eighteen stuivers in good strung seewant, growing out of freight due, and goods received at various times since the year 1666, from them received to his content, which aforesaid sum of three hundred and forty-one guilders and eighteen stuivers said Vander Coelen promises to pay at the farthest, by the first of the month of November next coming, whenever they, the creditors or the lawful holders of this obligation, shall come to Esopus; therefor pledging specially his distiller's kettle, helmet and worm, which he is now carrying from hence to the Esopus, and furthermore, generally, his person and estate, nothing excepted, to recover the aforesaid sum without loss and cost, and for the greater security of the above special bond in the matter aforenamed, the same shall be registered, if need be, by the secretary in the Esopus.

Done in Albany, the 24th of September, 1668.

REYNIER VANDER COELE.

J. Dehinsse.
Jan Verbeeck.

In my presence,

LUDOVICUS COBES, Secretary.

Appeared before us, undersigned, commissaries of Albany, etc., Willem Martense Huis, seaman, at present here in Albany, who acknowledges that he is well and truly indebted to Eldert Gerbertse Cruiff, in the sum of seven hundred guilders in good seewant, growing out of and for the matter of a great boat with sail and rigging (*seyl en treyl*), anchor and cable, bought of him on New Year's, 1668, with some other wares also to his full content received, which aforesaid sum of seven hundred guilders in seewant, said Willem Martense promises to pay as follows, when he next comes to New York, one hundred guilders in seewant to Aeltie Van Bremen, also a hundred guilders in seewant, when he comes up from thence, and the remaining five hundred guilders next April, or forepart of May of the year 1669, therefor pledging specially his half ferry boat (*schouw*) or the portion which he owns in company with Evert Lucasse [Backer], and furthermore generally his person and estate, nothing

excepted, subject to all laws and judges, for the recovery of said sum, without cost or loss.

Done in Albany, the 29th of September, *Anno* 1668.

WILLEM MARTENSE HUES.

J. Dehinsse.
Jan Thomase.

In my presence,

LUDOVICUS COBES, Secretary.

This is canceled in presence of Volckert Janse [Douw] and Jan Bruyn this 27th May, 1669.

Appeared before us, undersigned, commissaries of Albany, etc., Davidt Pieterse Schuyler, who declares, that in true rights, free ownership, he grants, conveys and makes over by these presents, to and for the behoof of Claes Locq, his heirs and successors or assigns, in the grantor's certain half sloop (*jacht*) owned in company by him and said Lock and now in possession of the same, according to contract therefor, acknowledging that he is fully paid and satisfied for said half sloop by the hands of said Claes Locq, the last penny with the first, without the grantor's making the least claim any more thereto, and therefore giving *plenam actionem cessam*, and full power to Claes Lock and his heirs to dispose thereof as he might do with his patrimonial effects; promising to protect and free said half sloop from all trouble, actions and claims of every person as is right, and never more to do nor suffer anything to be done against the same, either with or without law, in any manner, on pledge, according to law.

Done in Albany, the 29th of October, 1668.

DAVYET SCHUYLER.

R. V. Rennselaer.
Abram Staes.

Appeared before us, undersigned, commissaries of Albany, etc., John Corneel, and Johannes De Wandelaer,[1] who declare that in exchange with each other in true rights, free ownership, they grant, convey and make over by these presents, namely, Jan Cornell to said Wandelaer his house and lot standing and lying here in Albany, in accordance with a deed of conveyance, of date $\frac{10}{20}$ October, 1665, as the same stands in fence and enclosure excepting a small parcel of ground for an alley without the fence, bounded according to the description and contents of the aforesaid conveyance; and Johannes De Wandelaer conveys and makes over by these presents to and for the behoof of the aforesaid John Corneel, his house and lot standing and lying also here in Albany on the hill, breadth in front on the street eighteen and a half wood feet, and length according to the evidence of the vendue book, being the just half bought in company with Omy La Grand; respectively free and unincumbered, with no claim standing or issuing against the same, excepting the lord's right, without either party's making the least claim in the matter aforesaid, and moreover, also

[1] Johannes De Wandelaer, of Leyden, Holland, married Sara Schepmoes, of New York, 17 March, 1672, and of ten children the fruit of this marriage eight were living at the date of his will, the 20th of June, 1705. In 1678 he bought of Jan Thomase the lot on the east corner of State and Chapel streets. His son, Johannes, settled in Albany, and for many years occupied the west corner of Maiden lane and Broadway. He married Lysbeth Gansevoort and had ten children.

acknowledging that they are mutually fully paid and satisfied therefor, but Johannes De Wandelaer in the exchange must contribute twenty-two whole good and merchantable beaver skins to be paid on the first of July, A. D. 1669, for which a mortgage shall be passed; and therefore giving respectively to each other, their heirs and successors or assigns, *plenam actionem cessam*, and full power to dispose thereof as they respectively might do with their patrimonial effects; promising to protect and free the aforesaid houses and lots, each as before, from all trouble and claims as is right, and further, never more to do nor suffer anything to be done against the same, in any manner, on pledge their respective persons and estates, nothing excepted, subject to all laws and judges.

Done in Albany, the 3d of December, 1668.

JOHN CONELL.
JOHANNES DE WANDELAER.

Abram Staes.
R. V. Rensselaer.

In my presence,

LUDOVICUS COBES, Secretary.

Appeared before us, undersigned, commissaries of Albany, etc., Johannes De Wandelaer, young man, dwelling here in Albany, who acknowledges that he is well and truly indebted to Corneel, in the quantity of twenty-two whole merchantable beaver skins, reckoned at eight guilders a piece, growing out of the matter of a remaining installment for the purchase and payment of a certain house and lot by the subscriber bought or exchanged, which aforesaid sum of twenty-two whole beavers the subscriber promises to pay on the first of July, of the year 1669, punctually, therefore pledging specially the aforesaid house and lot, and furthermore generally his person and estate, personal and real, having and to have, nothing excepted, subject to all the duke's (*Heeren*) laws and judges, to recover in time, if need be, the payment thereof without cost and loss.

Done in Albany, this 3d of December, 1668.

JOHANNES DE WANDELAER.

Abram Staes.
R. V. Rensselaer.

In my presence,

LUDOVICUS COBES, Secretary.

Appeared before us, undersigned, commissaries of Albany, etc., Frans Janse Pruyn, acting for Ackes Cornelise [Van Slyck], who declares that in true rights, free ownership, he grants, conveys, and makes over by these presents, to and for the behoof of Jan Labatie, his heirs and successors or assigns, in the grantor's certain house, lot, barn, garden and fruit trees, standing and lying in colony Rensselaerswyck, according to the evidence of the vendue book of said colony bid off by said Labatie at public sale, of date the 16 of January, 1664, extending and bounding on the westerly side the Heer *patroon* of the colony, northerly *corst kouts* easterly and southerly the public road, as the same lies in length, breadth and fence, free and unincumbered, with no claim standing or issuing against the same, excepting the right of the patroon of the colony, according to

the description and contents of the conditions and proposals of said vendue book, and by virtue of a conveyance, of date the 5th of May, new style, 1666, in the Esopus; without the grantor's making the least claim thereto, also acknowledging that he is fully paid and satisfied therefor, the last penny with the first, therefore giving *plenam actionem cessam*, and full power to the aforesaid Labatie, his heirs and successors or assigns, to do with and dispose thereof as he might do with his patrimonial estate and effects; promising to protect and free the aforesaid house, lot, barn, garden and fruit trees, from all trouble, actions and liens of every person as is right, and further, never more to do nor suffer anything to be done against the same, with or without law, in any manner, on pledge according to law.

Done in Albany, the 7th of January, 166⅞.

FFRANS JANSEN PRUEN.

Jan Verbeeck.
Jan Thomase.

In my presence,

LUDOVICUS COBES, Secretary.

Appeared before me, Ludovicus Cobes, secretary of Albany, etc., in the presence of the honorable Heeren commissaries, etc., Mr. Jacob De Hinsse, and Mr. Jan Verbeeck, Jan Labatie, who declares that in true rights, free ownership, he grants, conveys and by these presents, makes over to and for the behoof of Barent Pieterse [Cocymans], his heirs and successors or assigns, in the grantor's certain house, lot, barn, garden and fruit trees standing and lying in the colony Rensselaerswyck, according to the proofs of the vendue book of said colony, bid off at public sale by said Labatie, of date the 16th of January, 1664, extending and bounding on the westerly side the Heer patroon of the colony, northerly *corst couts*, easterly and southerly the public road as the same lies in length, breadth and fence, free and unincumbered, with no claim standing or issuing against the same, excepting the right of the Heeren patroon of the colony, according to the description and contents of the conditions and proposals of said vendue book, also by virtue of conveyance passed, of date the 5th of May, new style, 1666, in the Esopus, whereto reference is herein made, received by said grantor from Frans Janse [Pruyn] and Aques Cornelise [Van Slyck], without the grantor's making the least claim any more against the same; also acknowledging that he is fully paid and satisfied therefor, the last penny with the first, and therefore giving *plenam actionem cessam*, and full power to said Barent Pieterse, his heirs and successors or assigns, to do with and dispose thereof as he might do with his patrimonial effects; promising to protect and free said house, lot, barn, garden and fruit trees from all trouble, claims and liens of every person as is right, and further, never more to do nor suffer anything to be done, either with or without law, in any manner, on pledge according to law.

Done in Albany, the 12th of January, 166⅞.

JAN LABATIE.

J. Dehinsse,
Jan Verbeeck.

In my presence,

LUDOVICUS COBES, Secretary.

Appeared before me, Ludovicus Cobes, secretary of Albany, etc., in the presence of the honorable Heeren commissaries of the same jurisdiction, Mr. Jacob Dehinsse, and Mr. Jan Verbeeck, Jan Bronck in character of attorney for his mother, Hilletie Broncx, who declares, that in true rights, free ownership, he grants, conveys and by these presents makes over to and for the behoof of Johannes Provoost vendue master, and trustee for the estate of the late Jan Adriessen, the Irishman, assisted by the Heer officer Gerard Swart, who by this conveyance makes over the same to Marten Gerritse [Van Bergen, his heirs and successors or assigns], in a certain parcel of land sold to said Jan Andriessen, containing about 69 morgens and a lot for a homestead (*hoftstede*) in breadth 20 rods and length 30 rods, bounded according to the descriptions of the patent to which reference is herein made; the grantor Jan Bronck, so also Provoost acknowledging that he is fully paid and satisfied for said lands, the first penny with the last, without the grantor's [Bronck] making the least pretension thereto any more, and therefore giving *plenam actionem cessam*, and full power to said Marten Gerritse and his heirs to dispose thereof as he might do with his patrimonial effects; promising the aforesaid piece or parcel of land to protect and free from all trouble, actions and claims as is right, and further, never more to do nor suffer anything to be done against the same, either with or without law, in any manner, on pledge according to law.

Done in Albany, the 8th of March, 166$\frac{8}{9}$.

JAN PIETERSEN BRONCK.
JOHANNES PROOVOST.
G. SWART.

J. Dehinsse.
Jan Verbeeck.

In my presence,

LUDOVICUS COBES, Secretary.

Appeared before me, Ludovicus Cobes, secretary of Albany, etc., in the presence of the honorable Heeren commissaries of the same jurisdiction, the Heer Ryckert Van Rensselaer and Mr. Jacob De Hinsse, Dirckie Hermes, wife of Jan Martense [De Wever], who acknowledges that she is well and truly indebted to the Heer Jeremias Van Rensselaer and Jacob Sanderse Glen, attorneys for Messrs. Mommaes, merchants at Amsterdam, in the sum of..... in beavers according to obligation passed in the year 1661, of date ..... which aforesaid sum of ..... in beavers she, the subscriber, promises to pay to the aforementioned Mr. Rensselaer and Jacob Sanderse Glen,[1] or their order, to wit, twenty beavers every following year until full payment is made, therefor pledging her person and estate, personal and real, present and future, and specially three horses, to wit, an old mare and two young mare colts in their second year, also three oxen of one year, with a heifer of one year, also a milch

[1] Jacob Sanderse Glen was the eldest son of Sander Leenderse Glen, of Schenectady. He settled in Albany, his house lot being on the south side of State street, second west of Pearl street, which lot afterwards passed to his son-in-law, Harmanus Wendel, who married his daughter, Anna.—*Albany Annals*, I, 124. His wife was Catharina Van Whitbeck, who after his death in 1663, married again Jonas Volkertse Douw, 24th of April, 1669. Of his children, only the following were living in 1707; Anna wife of Harmanus Wendel, Helena, Jacob, Johannes; the latter also settled in Albany, married Janneite Bleecker, and died 1707 leaving three children.

cow of three years, which is a good one; to recover the payment thereof, if need be without cost or loss. (The milch cow of three years must be delivered next May).

Done in Albany, 13th of March, 166⅔.

DERCKIEN HERMES.

Appeared before me, Ludovicus Cobes, secretary of Albany, etc., in presence of the honorable Heeren commissaries, etc., the Heer Ryckart Van Rensselaer and Mr. Jacob De Hinsse, Sweer Theunisse [Van Velsen],[1] husbandman, dwelling in the Colonie Rensselaerswyck, who acknowledges that he is well and truly indebted to Geertruyt Barents, wife of Jacob Heven, in the number of fourteen whole and merchantable beaver skins, for money disbursed, and merchandise received to his full content, according to obligation therefor, which aforesaid beavers, he, the subscriber, promises to pay with interest on the same since the receipt thereof until the final payment, therefor specially pledging his two lots lying at Lubberde land, in occupation of Jacob Heven, and generally his person and estate, personal and real, present and future, nothing excepted, for the recovery of the payment thereof, if need be, without loss or cost.

Done in Albany, the 27th of May, 1669.

SWEER THOONUSSEN.

R. V. Rensselaer.

Appeared before me, Ludovicus Cobes, secretary of Albany, etc., in the presence of the honorable Heeren commissaries, Mons. Ryckart Van Rensselaer and Mr. Jacob De Hinsse, Madame Johanna Ebbinck, empowered and commissioned by her husband Mr. Jeronimus Ebbinck, who declares, that in true rights, free ownership, she grants, conveys and makes over by these presents, to and for the behoof of Sweer Theunisse [Van Velsen], his heirs and successors or assigns, in the grantor's certain lot,[2] to the west the [North] river, lying between Hendrick Reur and said Sweer Theunisse at Lubberde land in the colony Rensselaerswyck, according to the description thereof made in the contract with his predecessor (*voorsaet*) Jan Barentse Wemp, deceased,[3] and of such length and breadth as the buyer has taken possession of; free and unincumbered with no claim standing or issuing against the same, excepting the right of the Heer patroon of the colony, without the grantor's making the least pretension thereto, any more, also acknowledging that she is fully paid and satisfied therefor, the last penny with the first, and therefore giving *plenam actionem cessam*, and full power to said Sweer Theunisse, his heirs and successors or assigns, to do with and dispose thereof as he might do with his patrimonial estate and effects; promising to protect and free said lot from all trouble, actions or liens of every person as is right, and further, never more to do nor suffer

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[1] Sweer Theunisse Van Velsen the first miller at Schenectady, was killed at the massacre, February 9, 1690.

[2] This lot of land was near the mouth of the Poestenkil. In 1667 April, 13, Van Velsen obtained a patent for three morgens of *bouw* land and a mill-site there, which in 1675 he sold to Jan Corn. Vyselaer and Lucas Pieterse Cocymans.— *Deeds*, 1, 271. The lot conveyed to him above by Mad. Ebbinck formed an addition to his former grant, on which he subsequently built a saw mill.

[3] Van Velsen married Maritie Mynderse, widow of Jan Barentse Wemp, his *voorsaet*; having no children of his own, on his death in 1690, his large property in Schenectady passed to the church and to the children of his wife by Wemp.

anything to be done against the same, with or without law, in any manner, under pledge according to law.

Done in Albany, the 13th of June, 1669.

JOHANNA EBBINCK.

R. V. Rensselaer.
J. De Hinsse.

Appeared before me, Ludovicus Cobes, secretary of Albany, etc., in the presence of the honorable Heeren commissaries, etc., Mr. Jan Verbeeck and Mr. Jacob De Hinsse, Volckert Janse [Douw], attorney for Hendrick Jochemse, who declares that in true rights, free ownership, he grants, conveys, and by these presents makes over, to and for the behoof of Abraham Staas, his heirs and successors or assigns, in a certain house and lot standing and lying in Albany, being the lot extending to the brewery of the grantor, in length .....and in breadth....., adjoining to the south, said Mr. Abraham, to the north Jan Vinhagen, to the west the street, to the east the brewery,[1] by virtue of a patent, of date 23d of April, 1652, to which reference is herein made, received by him from Hendrick Westerkamp, without the grantor's making the least pretension thereto any more; also acknowledging that he is fully paid and satisfied therefor the last penny with the first, by the hands of said Mr. Abraham Staas, and therefore giving *plenam actionem cessam*, and full power to said Mr. Abraham, his heirs and successors or assigns, to do with and dispose of the same, as he might do with his patrimonial estate and effects; promising to protect and free said house and lot from all trouble, actions, and liens of every person as is right, and further, never more to do nor suffer anything to be done against the same, with or without law, in any manner, on pledge according to law.

Done in Albany, the 12th of July, 1669.

VOLCKART JANSE.

Appeared before me, Ludovicus Cobes, secretary of Albany, etc., in the presence of the honorable Heeren commissaries, Mr. Jan Verbeeck and Mr. Jacob De Hinsse, Johannes De Wandelaer, who declares that in true rights, free ownership, he grants, conveys and makes over by these presents, to and for the behoof of Mr. William Paterson, his heirs and successors or assigns, in a certain house and lot, standing and lying here in Albany, in accordance with a deed of conveyance of date the 3d of December, 1668, received by the grantor from Jan Corneel, by way of exchange, and as the same stands fenced and enclosed, to which reference is herein made, without the grantor's making the least pretension any more thereto, also acknowledging that he is fully paid and satisfied therefor, the last penny with the first, by the hands of the aforesaid Mr. William Paterson, and therefore giving *plenam actionem cessam*, and full power to said Mr. William Paterson, his heirs and successors or assigns, to do with and dispose of the same, as he might do with his patrimonial estate and effects; promising to protect and free said house and lot from all trouble, actions and liens of every person as is right, and further, never more

[1] This lot was a part of the present Exchange lot fronting on Broadway.

to do nor suffer anything to be done against the same, with or without law, in any manner, on pledge according to law.

Done in Albany, the 21st of July, 1669.

JOHANNES DE WANDELAER.

Jan Verbeeck.
J. De Hinsse.

In my presence,

LUDOVICUS COBES, Secretary.

Appeared before me, Ludovicus Cobes, secretary of Albany, etc., in the presence of the honorable Heeren commissaries, Mr. Jan Verbeeck and Mr. Jacob De Hins e, Jacob Janse Flodder [*alias* Gardenier],[1] who acknowledges that he is well and truly indebted and in arrears to Eldert Gerbertsen Cruiff for a settlement with Lambert Albertse Van Neck, by him assumed, in the sum of one hundred and fourteen guilders in beavers for goods to his full content received, which said sum of *f* 114 in beavers the subscriber promises to pay to Eldert Gerbertse or the lawful holder of this in boards, three and twenty per beaver, punctually on the first of November next, therefor pledging specially his negro youngster, named Bockie, and furthermore generally his person and estate, nothing excepted, subject to all laws for the recovery of the aforesaid sum, without loss or cost.

Done in Albany, the 4th of August, A.D. 1669.

JACOB JANSE GERDENYER.

Jan Verbeeck.
J. De Hinsse.

In my presence,

LUDOVICUS COBES, Secretary.

Appeared before me, Ludovicus Cobes, secretary of Albany, etc., in the presence of the honorable Heeren commissaries, Mons. R. V. Rensselaer and Mr. Jan Verbeeck, Jacob Janse Gardenier, who acknowledges that he is well and truly indebted to Heer Jeremias Van Rensselaer and Jacob Sanderse Glen, attorneys for Messrs. Mommaes, in regard to the estate of the late Jan Bastiaense Van Gutsenhoven, in the sum of two hundred and twenty-five guilders and seventeen stuivers in beavers for merchandise and wares to his full content received, which aforesaid sum of *f.* 225-17 in beavers the subscriber promises to pay said Messrs. or to the lawful holder of this, in the month of June, 1670, punctually and without farther extension, therefor specially pledging his mill and effects lying on the kill, his *bouwery*, horses and cattle at Kinderhoeck, the negress with a negro youngster named Christiaen, and further, generally, his person and estate, having and to have, nothing excepted, subject to all the lord's laws and judges, for securing the payment of the same, if need be, without loss or cost.

Done in Albany, the 5th of August, 1669.

JACOB JANSE GERDENYER.

R. V. Rensselaer.

In my presence,

LUDOVICUS COBES, Secretary.

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[1] The Gardeniers, children of Jacob Janse Flodder, ten in number, settled chiefly in and about Kinderhook.

Appeared before me, Ludovicus Cobes, secretary of Albany, etc., in the presence of the honorable Heeren commissaries, etc., Mons. R. V. Rensselaer and Mr. Jacob De Hinsse, Jacob Loockermans, who declares that in true rights, free ownership, he grants, conveys, and makes over by these presents, to and for the behoof of Hans Hendrickse and Helmer Otten, their heirs and successors or assigns, in the grantor's certain lot lying on the hill here in Albany, breadth in front two rods eleven inches, in the rear two rods, length on the south side six rods one foot and nine inches, on the north side five rods ten feet and eight inches, adjoining on the north side Helmer Otten and Jan Clute, on the east side Geertruyt Vosburgh, on the south side Omy La Grand, on the west side the public street, by the grantor received from the Heeren commissaries of Albany, and by virtue of a conveyance, of date the $\frac{29}{8}$ $\frac{\text{May,}}{\text{June,}}$ of the year 1668, to which reference is herein made, free and unincumbered, without any claim standing or issuing against the same, save the lord's right, and therefore giving to the aforesaid Hans Hendrickse and Helmer Otten, their heirs and successors or assigns, *plenam actionem cessam*, and full power to dispose thereof, as they might do with their own patrimonial effects; promising to protect and free the aforesaid lot from all trouble, actions and liens of every person as is right, and further, never more to do nor suffer anything to be done against the same, with or without law, in any manner, on pledge according to law.

Done in Albany, the 15th of August, 1669.

JACOB LOKERMANS.

R. V. Rensselaer.
J. De Hinsse.

In my presence,

LUDOVICUS COBES, Secretary.

Appeared before me, Ludovicus Cobes, secretary of Albany, etc., in the presence of the honorable Heeren commissaries, Mr. Jan Verbeeck and Jacob De Hinsse, Jan Labatie, who declares that in true rights, free ownership, he grants, conveys and makes over by these presents, to and for the behoof of Pieter Jacobse Borsboom, his heirs and successors or assigns, in the grantor's certain house and lot lying here in Albany, breadth in front on the street forty wood feet and three and one-half inches, and in the rear on the end of Jacob Joosten's [Van Covelen's] lot, breadth thirty wood feet, and in the rear on the bank, breadth eight and twenty wood feet, and length to the [river] bank, which aforesaid house and lot is bounded northerly by the king's [court] house,[1] and south by the house of Jacob Joosten, by virtue of patent in the care of Mr. Jacob De Hinsse, of date the 3d of May, 1667, to which reference is herein made, under condition that the grantor also has purchased some feet of the lot from Sander Leendertse [Glen], the conveyance of which is also made, and which extends to the king's house, with a garden also, behind the fort, bounded on the one side by Herman Vedder, and on the other by Mr. Willet; free and unincumbered, with no claim standing or issuing against the same, excepting the lord's right; therefore giving to the aforesaid Jacob Borsboom, his heirs and successors or assigns, *plenam actionem cessam*, and full power to dispose thereof, as he might do with

[1] The Court House stood on the east corner of Broadway and Hudson street.

his own patrimonial effects; promising to protect and free the aforesaid lot from all trouble, actions and liens of every person as is right, and further, never more to do nor suffer anything to be done against the same, with or without law, in any manner, on pledge according to law.

Done in Albany, the 17th of September, 1669.

JAN LABATIE.

Jan Verbeeck.
J. De Hinsse.

Appeared before me, Ludovicus Cobes, secretary of Albany, etc., in the presence of the honorable Heeren commissaries, Mr. Jan Verbeeck and Mr. Jacob De Hinsse, Pieter Jacobse Borsboom, who declares, that in true rights, free ownership, he grants, conveys and makes over by these presents, to and for the behoof of Jan Labatie, his heirs and successors or assigns, in the grantor's certain *first* lot of land lying at Schaenhechtade bounding upon the land of Gerrit Bancker and the land of Claes Van Petten, containing eleven morgens and two hundred and sixty-three rods,[1] by virtue of a patent from the right honorable Heer general, Richard Nicolls, of date the 9th of May, 1668, to which reference is herein made, free and unincumbered, with no claim standing or issuing against the same, excepting the lord's right, and therefore giving to the aforenamed Jan Labatie, his heirs and successors or assigns, *plenam actionem cessam*, and full power to dispose thereof, as he might do with his patrimonial effects; promising to protect and free the aforesaid lot of land from all trouble, actions and liens of every person as is right, and further, nevermore to do nor suffer anything to be done against the same, with or without law, in any manner, on pledge according to law.

Done in Albany, the 17th of September, 1669.

PIETER YACOPSEN BORSBOOM.

Jan Verbeeck.
J. De Hinsse.

Appeared before me, Ludovicus Cobes, secretary of Albany, etc., in the presence of the honorable Heeren Mr. Jan Verbeeck and Mr. Jacob De Hinsse, Rhynier Vander Koelen, dwelling in the Esopus, who declares that he is well and honestly indebted and in arrears to Mr. Helmer Otten, in the quantity of one hundred and ninety whole and merchantable beaver skins to be paid in two installments, for a house and lot bought from him, according to contract therefor, and which lies here in Albany, which aforesaid sum the subscriber promises to pay punctually at the set time, therefor pledging specially the aforesaid house and lot, and generally his person and estate, nothing excepted, subject to all laws and judges, for the recovery of the aforesaid sum, without cost and loss.

Done in Albany, the 6th of October, 1669.

REYNIER VANDAER COELE.

Jan Verbeeck.
J. De Hinsse.

In my presence, LUDOVICUS COBES, Secretary.

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[1] The land on the *Groote Vlachte*, at Schenectady, was divided into twenty lots numbered in two series from 1 to 10, commencing at each end of the Flat, and ten of the proprietors had each two of these allotments bearing the same number. P. J. Borsboom drew the two lots numbered seven, the first of which nearest the village he conveyed to Jan Labatie, but the *hindermost* lot being the one farthest off was inherited by his four daughters.

Appeared before me, Ludovicus Cobes, secretary of Albany, etc., in the presence of the honorable Heeren commissaries, Mr. Jan Verbeeck and Mr. Jacob De Hinsse, Capt. Thomas Willet, who acknowledges that he is well and honestly indebted and in arrears to Mr. Philip Pieterse Schuyler, in the quantity of four hundred ells of the best English cloth (*dosynties*), to his full content, and in payment for beavers received, which aforesaid four hundred ells of cloth the subscriber promises to pay to Mr. Philip Pieterse Schuyler, or his order, at the farthest, next May, in the year 1670, half blue and half red, like the samples exhibited, therefor pledging specially his house and lot lying here in Albany, and generally his person and estate, nothing excepted, subject to all laws and judges, for the recovery of said four hundred ells of cloth, without cost or loss.

Done in Albany, the 7th of October, 1669.

THO. WILLET.[1]

Jan Verbeeck.
J. De Hinsse.

In my presence, LUDOVICUS COBES, Secretary.

Appeared before me, Ludovicus Cobes, secretary of Albany, etc., in presence of the honorable Heeren commissaries, Jan Verbeeck and Mr. Jacob De Hinsse, Mr. Hendrick Koster, who declares by these presents that in true rights, free ownership, he grants, conveys and makes over by these presents, to Mr. Robert Sanders, in part of lot No. 12, lying on the hill here in Albany, breadth in front on the street fourteen feet one inch, and on the rear, twelve feet and three inches, Rynland measure, length three rods eleven feet, received by him, the grantor, from the Heeren commissaries, the same bounded and lying, according to the description in the patent from the right honorable governor general, Francis Lovelace, of date the 24th of May, A. D. 1669, to which reference is herein made, free and unincumbered, with no claim standing or issuing against the same, excepting the lord's right, without the grantor's making the least pretension thereto any more, also acknowledging that he is therefor fully paid and satisfied, the last penny with the first, by the hands of Robert Sanders[2] aforesaid; giving therefor *plenam actionem cessam*, and full power to said Robert Sanders, his heirs and successors or assigns, to dispose of and do therewith as he might do with his patrimonial possessions and effects; promising to protect and free said part lot from all claims, actions and liens of every person as is right, and never more to do nor suffer anything to be done against the same, either with or without law, in any manner, on pledge according to law.

Done in Albany, the 11th of October, 1669.

HENDERECK KOSTER.

Jan Verbeeck.
J. DeHinsse.

In my presence, LUDOVICUS COBES, Secretary.

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[1] Thomas Willet came to New Amsterdam from New England at the capture of the province by the English in 1664. He was made the first mayor of the city under English rule, and for several years was a trader. Subsequently he returned to Massachusetts; and died in 1674.—*Valentine's Manual*, 1864, 622; *Savage's Genealogical Dictionary.*

[2] Robert Sanders was the eldest child of Thomas Sanders and his wife Sarah Van Gorcum, and was baptized in New Amsterdam the 10th of Nov., 1642. By trade he was a smith, but later became a trader. His wife was Elsie Barentse; they had one son, Barent, and daughters Maria, who married Gerrit Rosenboom, Elsie, who died in 1732, aged 48 years, and Sara, wife of Henrich Greefraat.

Appeared before me, Ludovicus Cobes, secretary of Albany, etc., in the presence of the honorable Heeren commissaries, Mr. Jan Verbeeck and Mr. Ryckart Van Rensselaer, Mr. Philip Pieterse Schuyler, who declares by these presents that in true rights, free ownership, he grants, conveys and makes over by these presents, to Mr. Thomas De Lavall,[1] merchant, dwelling at new York, in a certain parcel of land lying in the Esopus, bounded according to the description in the patent thereof from the right honorable governor general, Richard Nicolls, of date the 23d of April, 1667, to which reference is herein made, free and unincumbered, with no claims standing or issuing against the same, except the lord's right, without the grantor's making the least pretension thereto any more, also acknowledging that he is fully paid and satisfied therefor, the last penny with the first, by the hands of Mr. Delavall aforenamed, and therefore giving *plenam actionem cessam*, and full power to said Mr. DeLavall, his heirs and successors or assigns, to do with and dispose thereof as he might do with his patrimonial estate and effects; promising to protect and free said parcel of land from all trouble, actions and liens of every person as is right, and further, never more to do nor suffer anything to be done against the same, with or without law, in any manner, on pledge according to law.

Done in Albany, the 2d of November, 1669.

PHILIP PIETERSE SCHUYLER.

Jan Verbeeck.
R. V. Rensselaer.

Appeared before me, Ludovicus Cobes, secretary of Albany, etc., in presence of the honorable Heeren commissaries, Mr. Jan Verbeeck and Mr. Philip Pieterse Schuyler, Goosen Gerritse [Van Schaick], trader, who declares that in true rights, free ownership, he grants, conveys, and makes over by these presents, to Mr. Thomas De Lavall, trader, dwelling at New York, in certain parcels of land lying in the Esopus, bounded according to evidence of the patent thereof from the right honorable governor general, Richard Nicolls, of date the 25th of April, 1667, to which reference is herein made, free and unincumbered, with no claim standing or issuing against the same, except the lord's right, without the grantor's making the least claim against the same any more; also acknowledging that he is fully said and satisfied therefor, the last penny with the first, by the hands of Mr. De Lavall, aforesaid, and therefore giving *plenam actionem cessam*, and full power to said Mr. De Lavall, his heirs, and successors or assigns, to do with and dispose thereof, as he might do with his patrimonial estate and effects; promising to protect and free said parcels of land from all trouble, claims and liens of every person as is right, and further, never more to do nor suffer anything to be done against the same, either with or without law, in any manner, on pledge according to law.

Done in Albany, the 5th of November, A.D. 1669.

Note.—This conveyance is made with this reservation: as Goosen Gerritse has sold said land to Claes Tennisse, for three hundred and

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[1] Thomas Delavall came to New York with the English expedition in 1664, and settled there as a merchant. He prospered, held many important civil offices, and died in 1682.—*Valentine's Manual*, 1864, 577.

fifty skipples of wheat, which sale begins now, and as said Claes Theunisse is to pay the aforesaid three hundred and fifty skipples of grain, within the time of four years, every year a fourth part, the first installment next year, and so on every year, until payment is completed, which payment shall be made to Mr. De Lavall; failing of said payment, said Claes Theunisse shall lose the purchase of the land. *Actum ut supra.*

GOOSEN GERRETSEN.

Jan Verbeeck.
Philip Pieterse Schuyler.

In my presence,

LUDOVICUS COBES, Secretary.

Appeared before me, Ludovicus Cobes, secretary of Albany, etc., in the presence of the honorable Heeren commissaries, Mons. Ryckart Van Rensselaer, and Mr. Jan Verbeeck, Mr. Goosen Gerritse [Van Schaick], trader, dwelling here in Albany, who declares by these presents that in true rights, free ownership, he grants, conveys and makes over to Mr. Philip Pieterse Schuyler, also trader, dwelling here, in the half of his *bouwery* with all the appurtenances as well of lands, as cattle and horses, which are lawfully coming to him in company with said Mr. Schuyler, together with the lands lying in the Halfmoon, set forth in three patents thereof, in the custody of said Schuyler, to which reference is herein made, free and unincumbered, with no claim standing or issuing against the same, save the lord's right, without the grantor's making the least pretension thereto any more, also acknowledging that he is fully paid and satisfied therefor, by a bill of exchange of fifteen hundred guilders, Holland money, by the hands of Mr. Schuyler, aforenamed, and therefore giving *plenum actionem cessam*, and full power to the aforesaid Philip Schuyler, his heirs and successors or assigns, to do with and dispose thereof, as he might do with his patrimonial estate and effects, promising to protect and free said half *bouwery*, and the appurtenances of the same, from all trouble, actions and liens of every person as is right, and further, never more to do nor suffer anything to be done against the same, either with or without law, in any manner, on pledge according to laws, therefor provided.

Done in Albany, the 23d of November, 1669.

GOOSEN GERRITSEN.

R. V. Rensselaer.
Jan Verbeeck

In my presence,

LUDOVICUS COBES, Secretary.

This conveyance is canceled this 8th of March, 1669.

Appeared before me, Ludovicus Cobes, secretary of Albany, etc., in presence of the honorable Heeren commissaries, Mr. Ryckart Van Rensselaer and Mr. Jan Verbeeck, Mr. Philip Pieterse Schuyler, trader and commissary of Albany, who acknowledges that he is well, truly and honestly indebted and in arrears to Mr. Goosen Gerritse [Van Schaick], in the sum of fifteen hundred Carolus guilders, to be paid in Holland, by exchange, in the month of November next, in the year 1670, growing out of the matter of the purchase and consideration money for the half of a

bouwery and lands with their appurtenances, bought by the subscriber from him, according to the descriptions of three patents thereof; which 1500 guilders, Holland money, the subscriber promises to pay, according to the tenor and contents of the bill of exchange, to Mr. Goosen Gerritse, aforesaid, therefor pledging specially said half of the *bouwery* and appurtenances of the same, and furthermore, generally, his person and estate, personal and real, having and to have, nothing excepted, subject to all laws, to recover said payment if need be, without loss or cost.

Done in Albany, the 23d of November, 1669.

PHILIP PIETERSE SCHUYLER.

R. V. Rensselaer.
Jan Verbeeck.

In my presence,

LUDOVICUS COBES, Secretary.

This mortgage is canceled this 8th of March, 1669.

Appeared before me, Ludovicus Cobes, secretary of Albany, etc., in the presence of the honorable Heeren commissaries, Mons. Ryckart Van Rensselaer and Mr. Philip Pieterse Schuyler, Jan Janse Bleecker, burgher and inhabitant here, dwelling in Albany, who acknowledges that he is well, truly and honestly indebted and in arrears to Mr. Jan Clute, in the quantity of eighty-five whole and good merchantable beaver skins, reckoned at eight guilders a piece, growing out of the matter of two remaining installments on the purchase and payment of a certain house and lot, by the subscriber of him, bought according to contract thereof, dated 5th of January, 1669, which aforesaid sum of eighty-five whole beavers, the subscriber promises to pay according to the tenor and contents of the same, in two installments of a half each, in the year 1670 and 1671, on the first of July; therefor pledging specially the aforesaid house and lot, and further, generally, his person and estate, personal and real, having and to have, nothing excepted, subject to all laws and judges, to recover the payment thereof, if need be, without loss or cost.

Done in Albany, the 5th of January, 1669.

JAN JANSE BLEECKER.

R. V. Rensselaer.
Philip Pieterse Schuyler.

In my presence,

LUDOVICUS COBES, Secretary.

Appeared before me, Ludovicus Cobes, secretary of Albany, etc., in the presence of the honorable Heeren commissaries, Mons. Ryckart Van Rensselaer and Mr. Jan Verbeeck, Jurriaen Janse Groenewout, who declares by these presents that in true rights, free ownership, he grants, conveys and makes over to Jan Conneel, in a certain house and lot, lying here in Albany, with all that is fast by earth and nailed, and in breadth and length as it lies in fence, adjoining on the north the *dwars* house, and south the house of Paulus Martense [Van Benthuysen], on condition that the *dwars* house shall retain a foot of land running in a straight line to a point on the northeast side, and a free drip between him and Paulus Martense; by virtue of a patent from the right honorable general, Richard Nicolls, dated the 11th of May, 1667, to which reference is

herein made, free and unincumbered, with no claim standing or issuing against the same, except the lord's right, without the grantor's making the least pretension thereto any more; also acknowledging that he has received a mortgage therefor by the hands of said John Conneel, for the sum of sixty-five beavers, to be paid in two installments, and therefore giving *plenam actionem cessam*, and full power to the aforenamed Jan Conneel, his heirs and successors or assigns, to do with and dispose of the same, as he might do with his patrimonial estate and effects; promising to protect and free said house and lot from all such trouble, actions and liens of every person as are lawful, and further, never more to do nor suffer anything be done against the same, either with or without law, in any manner, on pledge according to laws therefor provided.

Done in Albany, the 8th of February, 1669.

The mark of JURRIAEN JANSE GROENEWOUT, with his own hand set.

R. V. Rensselaer.
Jan Verbeeck.

In my presence,

LUDOVICUS COBES, Secretary.

Appeared before me, Ludovicus Cobes, secretary of Albany, etc., in the presence of the honorable Heeren commissaries, etc., Mons. Ryckart Van Rensselaer and Mr. Jan Verbeeck, Jan Conneel, burgher here in Albany, who acknowledges that he is well and honestly indebted to Jurriaen Janse Groenewout, in the quantity of sixty-five whole, good and merchantable beaver skins, growing out of the matter of two remaining installments for the purchase and consideration money of a certain house and lot, purchased of him by the subscriber, which aforesaid sum of sixty-five whole and good merchantable beaver skins, the subscriber promises to pay, according to the tenor and contents of the same [contract], in two installments, to wit, thirty beavers the last of July, 1670, and thirty-five beavers the year following, therefor specially pledging said house and lot, and further, generally, his person and estate, personal and real, having and to have, nothing excepted, subject to all laws, to recover in due time (if need be) the payment without loss or cost.

Done in Albany, the 8th of February, 1669.

JOHN CONELL.

R. V. Rensselaer.
Jan Verbeeck.

In my presence,

LUDOVICUS COBES, Secretary.

Appeared before me, Ludovicus Cobes, secretary of Albany, etc., in the presence of the honorable Heeren commissaries, etc., Mr. Abraham Staas and Mr Jan Verbeeck, Pieter Adriaense [Soogemakelyk *alias* Van Woggelum] who declares that he grants, conveys, and by these presents makes over to and for the behoof of Helmer Otten, a barn and rick lying at Schaenheehtede, and a garden in the valley (*leeghte*), together with twenty-six morgens and a hundred and sixty-four rods of land,[1] in two lots, fenced and bounded according to description in the patent thereof,

[1] Helmer Otten died soon after this conveyance, and his widow married Ryer Schermerhorn, some of whose descendants occupy this farm to this day.

from the right honorable general, Nicolls, dated the 5th of June, 1667, to which reference is herein made; free and unincumbered, with no claims standing or issuing against the same, excepting the lord's right, without the grantor's making the least pretension thereto any more, also acknowledging that he is fully paid and satisfied therefor by an obligation for the sum of thirty-five beavers, and therefore giving *plenam actionem cessam*, and full power to said Helmer Otten, his heirs and successors or assigns, to do with and dispose of said barn, rick, garden and lots of land as he might do with his patrimonial estate and effects; promising to protect and free the same from all such troubles, actions and liens of every person as are lawful, and further, never more to do nor suffer anything to be done against the same, with or without law, in any manner, on pledge according to laws therefor provided.

Done in Albany, the 13th of August, 1670.

PIETER ADRIAENSE.

In my presence,

LUDOVICUS COBES, Secretary.

Appeared before me, Ludovicus Cobes, secretary of Albany, etc., in the presence of the right honorable Heeren commissaries, etc., Mr. Abraham Staas and Mr. Jan Verbeeck, Domine Gideon Schaets, preacher here, who declares that in true rights, free ownership, he grants, conveys and by these presents, makes over to and for the behoof of the honorable Mr. Thomas De Lavall, in his house and lot lying here in Albany on the hill, with all that is fast by earth and nailed, and the lot is in breadth front and rear, twenty-five feet, length on the south side, four rods six feet and three inches, on the north side four rods three feet three inches, adjoining on the east side Claes Van Rotterdam, on the south side, Barent Rhynderse, smith, on the west and north side the highway, according to survey and regulation of the surveyor, of date the 5th of May, 1668, and by virtue of a conveyance to him, the grantor, given, to which reference is herein made, free and unincumbered, with no claims standing or issuing against the same, excepting the lord's right, without the grantor's making the least pretension against the same any more, also acknowledging that he is fully paid and satisfied therefor, the first penny with the last, and therefore giving *plenam actionem cessam*, and full power to *Mynheer* De Laval, his heirs and successors or assigns, to do with and dispose of the aforesaid house and lot, as he might do with his patrimonial estate and effects; promising to protect and free the same from all such trouble, claims and liens, as are lawful, and further, never more to do nor suffer anything to be done against the same, with or without law, in any manner, on pledge according to laws provided therefor.

Done in Albany, the 17th of August, 1670.

This conveyance is made with the reservation that the honorable Heer De Laval shall furnish sureties and security for the remaining payments, to give satisfaction to Domine Schaets or his order according to the conditions of the sale.

GIDEON SCHAETS, P: in N. Albany.

Abram Staes.
Jan Verbeeck.

Acknowledged before me,

LUDOVICUS COBES, Secretary.

By virtue of the conveyance by Domine Gideon Schaets, passed for the behoof of the honorable Heer De Laval, of a house and lot lying on the hill, here in Albany, in breadth, length and boundaries, according to the tenor and contents of the same, *Mynheer* Thomas De Laval, declares that in true rights, free ownership, he grants, conveys and by these presents, makes over in said house and lot, to Jan Conneel, his heirs and successors or assigns, also acknowledging that he is fully paid and satisfied therefor, by the hands of said Jan Conneel by the half of the promised purchase money and a mortgage deed for the other half, and therefore giving *plenam actionem cessam*, to the aforenamed Jan Conneel, or his assigns, to do with and dispose of said house and lot, as he might do with his patrimonial estate and effects; promising to free and protect the same from all such troubles, claims and liens, as are lawful, and further, never more to do nor to suffer anything to be done against the same, with or without law, in any manner, on pledge according to laws therefor provided.

Done in Albany, the 17th of August, 1670.

THO: DE LAVALL.

Abram Staes.
Jan Verbeeck.

Acknowledged before me,

LUDOVICUS COBES, Secretary.

Appeared before me, Ludovicus Cobes, secretary of Albany, etc., in the presence of the right honorable Heeren commissaries, etc., Mr. Jan Verbeeck and Mr. Abraham Staas, Jan Conneel, burgher here, who acknowledges that he is well and honestly indebted to the right honorable Mr. De Laval, in the sum of two hundred and seven guilders in whole, good and merchantable beaver skins, growing out of the matter of a payment, remaining due for the purchase and consideration money of a certain house and lot bought of him, by the subscriber, according to the tenor and contents of the contract therefor, which aforesaid sum of two hundred and seven guilders, in whole, good and merchantable beaver skins, the subscriber promises to pay on the set day of payment, therefor pledging specially the aforesaid house and lot, and generally his person and estate, personal and real, present and future, nothing excepted, and putting the same in subjection to the lord's laws and judges, for the recovery of the payment in due time, if need be, without loss and cost.

Done in Albany, the 17th of August, 1670.

JOHN CONELL.

Abram Staes.
Jan Verbeeck.

Acknowledged before me,

LUDOVICUS COBES, Secretary.

Appeared before me, Ludovicus Cobes, secretary of Albany, etc., in the presence of the honorable Heeren commissaries, etc., Mr. Jan Verbeeck and Mr. Abraham Staas, Jan Conneel, who declares that in true rights, free ownership, he grants, conveys, and by these presents, makes over, to and for the behoof of Mr. John Stuart,[1] a shanty (*loodts wooning*), with the lot of the same, lying on the hill between Evert Janse

[1] John Stuart was deceased in 1675, when his administrators sell his house and lot on the hill to Lourens Van Alen.—*Deeds*, I, 276.

[Wendel], and Wynant Gerritse [Vander Poel],[2] the lot is twelve feet, seven and one-half inches, Rynland measure in breadth, and in length, back six rods and five feet; free and unincumbered, with no claims standing or issuing against the same, excepting the lord's right, without the grantor's making the least pretension any more thereto, also acknowledging that he is fully paid and satisfied therefor, the first penny with the last, by the hands of said Stuart, and therefore giving *plenam actionem cessam*, and full power to Mr. Stuart, his heirs and successors or assigns, to do with and dispose of said shanty and lot, as he might do with his patrimonial estate and effects; promising to protect and free the same from all such troubles, claims and liens as are lawful, and further, never more to do nor suffer anything to be done against the same, with or without law, in any manner, on pledge according to laws, therefor provided.

Done in Albany, the 20th of August, 1670.

JOHN CONELL.

Abram Staes.
Jan Verbeeck.

Acknowledged before me,

LUDOVICUS COBES, Secretary.

Appeared before me, Ludovicus Cobes, secretary of Albany, etc., in the presence of the honorable Heeren commissaries, etc., Mr. Jan Verbeeck and Mr. Abraham Staas, Herman Vedder, who declares, that in true rights, free ownership, he grants, conveys and by these presents makes over, to and for the behoof of Robert Sanders, the half of the land called Stone Arabia with all his title thereto, free and unincumbered, with no claims standing or issuing against the same, save the lord's right, without the grantor's making the least pretension thereto any more, also acknowledging that he is fully paid and satisfied therefor, the first penny with the last, by the hands of Robert Sanders, and therefore giving *plenam actionem cessam*, and full power to said Robert Sanders, his heirs and successors or assigns, to do with and dispose of said portion of land, as he might do with his patrimonial estate and effects; promising to protect and free the same from all such trouble, actions and liens as are lawful, and further never more to do nor suffer anything to be done against the same, either with or without law, in any manner, on pledge according to laws therefor provided.

Done in Albany, the 21st of August, 1670.

HARMEN VEDDER.

Abram Staes.
Jan Verbeeck.

Acknowledged before me,

LUDOVICUS COBES, Secretary.

Appeared before me, Ludovicus Cobes, secretary of Albany, etc., in presence of the honorable Heeren commissaries, etc., Mr. Jan Verbeeck and Mr. Philip Pieterse Schuyler, Mr. Jurriaen Theunisse, tapster [*alias* glazier] who declares, that in true rights, free ownership, he grants, con-

[1] Evert Janse Wendel owned the lot on the west corner of State and James streets; Wynant Gerritse Vander Poel, on the east corner of State and North Pearl streets.

veys and makes over by these presents, to and for the behoof of Mr. Abraham Staes and Mr. Johannes Provoost, his just third part of land belonging to him in partnership with Jan Bruyns and Jan Clute, with the barn and his right thereto appertaining, according to contract for the same, and in virtue of a patent thereof given by the right honorable general, Nicolls, now in custody of Jan Bruyns, to which reference is herein made, free and unincumbered, with no claims standing or issuing against the same, excepting the lord's right, and without the grantor's making the least pretension any more against the same, acknowledging that he is fully paid and satisfied therefor, the first penny with the last, by the hands of said Mr. Abraham Staes and Johannes Provoost, and therefore giving *plenam actionem cessam*, and full power to the aforesaid Mr. Abraham Staes and Johannes Provoost, their heirs and successors or assigns, to do with and dispose of said third part of the land, barn and appurtenances of the same, as they might do with their patrimonial estate and effects; promising to protect and free said third part of the land, barn and appurtenances of the same from all such troubles, claims and liens of every person as are lawful, and further, never more to do nor suffer anything to be done against the same, with or without law, in any manner, on pledge according to laws therefor provided.

Done in Albany, the 24th of Aug., 1670.

JURREJAN TUNSEN.

Jan Verbeeck.
Philip Pieterse Schuyler.

Acknowledged before me,

LUDOVICUS COBES, Secretary.

Appeared before me, Ludovicus Cobes, secretary of Albany, etc., in presence of the honorable commissaries, etc., Mr. Jan Verbeeck and Mr. Abraham Staas, Cornelis Cornelisse Viele who declares that in true rights, free ownership, he grants, conveys and by these presents makes over to and for the behoof of Jurriaen Theunisse [Glasemacker], in a house and barn with two ricks and also one on the land, with a garden behind the house, together with twelve morgens and one hundred and thirty rods of land lying at Schaenhechtede,[1] being lot No. 8, fenced and bounded according to the description of the patent thereof, to which reference is herein made, free and unincumbered, with no claims standing or issuing against the same, excepting the lord's right, and without the grantor's making the least pretension any more against the same, also acknowledging that he is fully paid and satisfied therefor, the first penny with the last, through the hands of the aforenamed Jurriaen Theunisse, and therefore giving *plenam actionem cessam*, and full power to the aforesaid Jurriaen Theunisse, his heirs and successors or assigns, to do with and dispose of the said house, lot, garden, ricks and lands, as he might do with his patrimonial estate and effects; promising to protect and free the same from all such troubles, claims and liens, of every person as are lawful, and further, never more to do nor suffer anything to be done against

[1] This lot No. 8, lies on the Groote Vlachte and was originally patented to Marten Cornelise Van Ysselsteyn by whom it was conveyed to C. V. Petten and C. C. Viele. From Theunisse it passed to Dirk Hesselingh who sold it to Harmen Vedder in 1672, in which family it remained many years. This lot is now included in the homestead of Col. Daniel D. Campbell of Rotterdam.

the same, with or without law, in any manner, on pledge according to laws therefor provided.

Done in Albany, the 25th of August, 1670.

CORNELIS CORNELISSE VIELE.

Abram Staes.
Jan Verbeeck.

Acknowledged before me,

LUDOVICUS COBES, Secretary.

Appeared before me, Ludovicus Cobes, secretary of Albany, etc., in the presence of the honorable Heeren commissaries, etc., Mr. Jan Verbeeck and Mr. Abram Staes, Jurriaen Theunisse Tappen, who declares that in true rights, free ownership, he grants, conveys and makes over by these presents, to and for the behoof of Cornelis Cornelisse Viele, in a house and lot lying in Albany on the south side of Pieter Hartgers, to the west the first kil, on the north side the great street, breadth in front on the street one rod three feet, eleven inches, and in the rear on the kil one rod one foot and four inches, length on the east side five rods one foot ten inches, on the west side five rods five feet and two inches, Rynland measure, by virtue of the patent thereof from the right honorable general, Nicolls, dated the 2d of May, 1668. to which reference is herein made, free and unincumbered, with no claims standing or issuing against the same, excepting the lord's right and without the grantor's making the least pretension thereto any more, also acknowledging that he is fully paid and satisfied therefor, the first penny with the last, and therefore giving *plenam actionem cessam*, and full power to the aforenamed Cornelis Cornelisse Viele, his heirs and successors or assigns, to do with and dispose of said house and lot, as he might do with his patrimonial estate and effects; promising to protect and free the same from all such troubles, claims and liens, as are right, and further, never more to do nor suffer anything to be done against the same, with or without law, in any manner, on pledge according to laws therefor provided.

Done in Albany, the 26th of August, 1670.

JUREJAN TUNSE.

Abram Staes.
Jan Verbeeck.

Acknowledged before me,

LUDOVICUS COBES, Secretary.

Appeared before me, Ludovicus Cobes, secretary of Albany, etc., in the presence of the right honorable Heeren commissaries, etc., Mr. Ryckard Van Rensselaer and Mr. Jan Verbeeck, Capt. Thomas Willet, trader, who declares that in true rights, free ownership, he grants, conveys and makes over by these presents, to and for the behoof of Jan Byvanck[1] in a garden lying behind Fort Albany, before this belonging to Gerrit the cooper as the same now lies in fence between the garden of Jan Hermense, baker, and Pieter Jacobse Borsboom, free and unincumbered, with no claims standing or issuing against the same, except the lord's right, and without

[1] Jan Byvanck, from Olderzee in Holland, was in Albany, as early as 1665. — *Deeds*, 1, 206. In 1666, he married Belitje Evertse Duycking, of New York; several of their children were baptized in Albany, as late as 1688, soon after which he appears to have returned to New York, where he married again, Sara Frans, widow, Nov. 3, 1692.— *Valentine's Manual*, 1862 He was born in 1634.

the grantor's making the least pretension any more against the same, acknowledging that he is fully paid and satisfied therefor, the first penny with the last, by the hands of Jan Byvanck, and therefore giving *plenam actionem cessam*, and full power to said Jan Byvanck, his heirs and successors or assigns, to do with and dispose of the aforesaid garden, as he might do with patrimonial estate and effects; promising to protect and free the same from all such troubles, claims and liens as are lawful, and further, never more to do nor suffer anything to be done against the same, with or without law, in any manner, on pledge according to laws therefor provided.

Done in Albany, the 29th of August, 1670.

Jan Verbeeck. THO. WILLET.
R. V. Rensselaer.

Acknowledged before me,
LUDOVICUS COBES, Secretary.

Appeared before me, Ludovicus Cobes, secretary of Albany, etc., in the presence of the right honorable Heeren commissaries, etc., Mr. Abraham Staes and Mr. Jan Verbeeck, Barent Albertse Brat, burgher here, who acknowledges that he is well and honestly indebted and in arrears to Mr. Daniel Hondecoutre, in the sum of three hundred and seventy-eight guilders and nine stuivers in beavers, for merchandise to his full content received, which aforesaid *f* 378–9 the subscriber promises to pay to Mr. Hondecoutre, or his order, in good whole and merchantable beaver skins, reckoned at eight guilders a piece in the month of June next, of the year 1671, with interest on the same at eight per cent, but if he pay the half he shall be free from interest; therefor pledging specially his house and lot standing and lying here in Albany, next the house of Hendrick Bries, and further more generally, his person and estate, personal and real, present and future, nothing excepted, to recover the payment in due time, if need be, without cost or loss.

Done in Albany, the 6th of September, 1670.

The mark of BARENT + ALBERTSE BRAT,
with his own hand set.

Abram Staes.
Jan Verbeeck.

Acknowledged before me,
LUDOVICUS COBES, Secretary.

Appeared before me, Ludovicus Cobes, secretary of Albany, etc., in the presence of the honorable Heeren commissaries, etc., Mr. Jan Verbeeck and Mr. Philip Pieterse Schuyler, Mr. Jan Clute, Jurriaen Theunisse [Tapster] and Meyndert Frederickse, smith, who declare that in true rights, free ownership, they grant, convey, and make over by these presents, to and for the behoof of Marten Gerritse [Van Bergen] in a certain parcel of land lying at Coxhaxki, adjoining southerly the land of Hilleken Broncx,[1] and taking its beginning from the Stone creek extending south along the Katskil path to the woods or the hill *Styfisinck*, and east to the river, and again north to the land of Hilleken Broncx, abovenamed.

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[1] Hilleke was the wife of Pieter Bronck, who was perhaps deceased in 1670.

Appeared before me, Ludovicus Cobes, secretary of Albany, etc., in the presence of the honorable Heeren commissaries, etc., Mr. Philip Schuyler and Mr. Jan Van Bael, Mr. Jan Bruyns, who declares that in true rights, free ownership, he grants, conveys and makes over by these presents, to and for the behoof of Mr. Helmer Otten, in a certain house, lot and garden at present occupied by Pieter Adriaense [Sogemakelyck, *alias* Van Woggelum] as the same is built, enclosed and fenced, standing and lying here in Albany, bounded according to the tenor and contents of the contract, and other proofs, to which reference is made, free and unincumbered, with no claims standing or issuing against the same, save the lord's right, and without the grantor's making the least pretension thereto any more, acknowledging that he is fully paid and satisfied therefor with an obligation and mortgage, from the hands of said Helmer Otten, and therefore giving *plenam actionem cessam*, and full power to said Helmer Otten, his heirs and successors or assigns, to do with and dispose of said house, lot, and garden as he might do with his patrimonial possessions and effects; promising to protect and free the same from all such trouble, claims and liens of every person as are lawful, and further, never more to do nor suffer anything to be done against the same, with or without law, in any manner, on pledge according to laws therefor provided.

Done in Albany, the 8th of Oct., 1670.

JAN HENERCK BRUYNS.

Philip Pieterse Schuyler.
Jan Hend. Van Bael.

Acknowledged before me,

LUDOVICUS COBES, Secretary.

Appeared before me, Ludovicus Cobes, secretary of Albany, etc., in the presence of the afternamed witnesses, Mr. Helmer Otten, who acknowledges that he is well and honestly indebted and in arrears to Mr. Jan Bruyns, in the quantity of one hundred whole, good and merchantable beaver skins, growing out of the purchase of a house, lot and garden, which said hundred beavers the subscriber promises to pay to said Mr. Bruyns, or to the lawful holder of this in the month of June, 1671, with proper interest at ten *per cent*, therefor pledging his person and estate, personal and real, present and future, nothing excepted, putting the same in subjection to the lord's laws and judges.

In witness of the truth the same is subscribed by his own hand on this 8th of October, 1670, in Albany.

HELMERIN OTTEN.

Acknowledged before me,

LUDOVICUS COBES, Secretary.

On this 1st of April, 1687, Ryer Schermerhoorn appeared before the secretary with the authentic copy of the foregoing obligation, and on the back of the same was written by Jan Hendr: Bruyns:

"Albany, the 22d of July, 1679, I acknowledge, that I have received full satisfaction for this obligation on the above date.

"JAN HENDRICK BRUYNS."

Was subscribed, *quod attestor.*

ROBERT LIVINGSTON.

Appeared before me, Ludovicus Cobes, secretary of Albany, etc., on the date underwritten, in the presence of the honorable Heeren commissaries, etc., Mr Philip Schuyler and Mr. Jan Hendrickse Van Bael, Helmer Otten, who declares that in true rights, free ownership, he grants, conveys and makes over, by these presents, to and for the behoof of Pieter Adriaense [Soogemakelyck], in a certain house, lot and garden, as the same is built, fenced and enclosed, standing and lying here in Albany, received by the grantor from Jan Bruyns, bounded according to the tenor and contents of the contract and other evidences thereof, to which reference is herein made, free and unincumbered, with no claims standing or issuing against the same, excepting the lord's right, and without the grantor's making the least pretension thereto, any more, acknowledging that he is fully paid and satisfied therefor, the first penny with the last, by the hands of said Pieter Adriaense, and therefore giving *plenam actionem cessam*, and full power to said Pieter Adriaense, his heirs and successors or assigns, to do with and dispose of the aforesaid house, lot, and garden, as he might do with his patrimonial estate and effects; promising to protect and free the same from all such trouble, claims and liens as are right, and further, never more to do nor suffer anything to be done against the same, with or without law, in any manner, on pledge according to laws therefor provided.

Done in Albany, the 12th of October, 1670.

HELMERIN OTTEN.

Philip Pieterse Schuyler.
Jan Hend: Van Bael.

Acknowledged before me,

LUDOVICUS COBES, Secretary.

Appeared before me, Ludovicus Cobes, secretary of Albany, etc., present the afternamed witness, Helmer Otten, who declares that he is well and honestly indebted to Pieter Adriaense, in the quantity of five and thirty whole, good and merchantable beaver skins, in the matter of the exchange and boot for the house and lot, conveyed to him to-day, which thirty-five beavers, the subscriber promises to pay to Pieter Adriaense, or his order on the *Vernal* day, according to the tenor of the contract; therefor pledging his person and estate, personal and real, present and future, nothing excepted, putting the same in subjection to all the lord's laws and judges.

In witness of the truth, of which he subscribes this, in presence of Mr. Philip Schuyler, as witness, hereto invited, on this 12th of Oct., 1670.

HELMER OTTEN.

Philip Pieterse Schuyler.

Acknowledged before me,

LUDOVICUS COBES, Secretary.

Appeared before me, Ludovicus Cobes, secretary of Albany, etc., on the date underwritten, in the presence of the honorable Heeren commissaries, etc., Mr. Philip Pieterse Schuyler and Mr. Jan Van Bael, Claes Keener, dwelling behind Kinderhoeck, who acknowledges that he is well and honestly indebted, and in arrears to Jan Cornelisse Root, in the sum of one hundred and sixty guilders in good seawant, and ten skipples of good winter wheat, in the matter of a cow and a heifer, by the sub-

scriber, to his content received, which said one hundred and sixty guilders seewant, and ten skipples of wheat, the subscriber promises to pay to Jan Cornelisse Root, or his order, within the time of three months, therefor pledging specially the aforesaid cow and heifer, and generally his person and estate, personal and real, present and future, nothing excepted, for the recovery of the payment, in due time, if need be, without loss or cost, submitting the same to the authority of all the lord's laws and judges.

Done in Albany, this 15th of November, 1670.

KLESE KENER.

Philip Pieterse Schuyler.
Jan Hend: Van Bael.

Acknowledged before me, LUDOVICUS COBES, Secretary.

Appeared before me, Ludovicus Cobes, secretary of Albany, etc., on the date underwritten, in the presence of the honorable Heeren commissaries, etc., Mr. Philip Pieterse Schuyler and Jan Hendrickse Van Bael, Bastiaen De Winter, who declares that in true rights, free ownership, he grants, conveys and makes over by these presents to Jan Labatie, in a lot, in breadth one hundred feet, or four or five feet more of ground, as shall appear by a just survey, lying at Schaenhechtade, bounded on the east by Pieter [Van] Olinda,[1] on the south side Theunis Cornelisse [Swart],[2] on the north side Joris Arisse [Vander Baast], and on the west side the highway [Church street], by virtue of a patent thereof from the right honorable general, Francis Lovelace, of date the 21st of October, 1670, to which reference is herein made,[3] free and unincumbered, with no claims standing or issuing against the same, excepting the lord's right, and without the grantor's making the least pretension to the same any more, acknowledging that he is fully paid and satisfied therefor, the first penny with the last, by the hands of the said Labatie, and therefore giving *plenam actionem cessam*, and full power to said Jan Labatie, his heirs and successors or assigns, to do with or dispose of said lot,[4] as he might do with his patrimonial estate and effects; promising to protect and free the same from all such trouble, claims and liens as are right, and further, never more to do nor to suffer anything to be done against the same, with or without law, in any manner, on pledge according to laws therefor provided.

Done in Albany, the 21st of November, 1670.

BASTIAEN DE WINTER.

Philip Pieterse Schuyler.
Jan Hend: Van Bael.

In my presence, LUDOVICUS COBES, Secretary.

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[1] Pieter Van Olinda's house lot in Schenectady fronted on Union street, two hundred feet east of Church street, and is now occupied by the Court House.

[2] Theunis Cornelisse Swart was one of the original settlers of Schenectady. By his wife Elizabeth Lendt or Vander Linde, he had four sons, of whom Cornelis, the eldest, settled in Ulster county, and Esaias in Schenectady. His house lot was on the east corner of State and Church streets.

[3] Bastiaan De Winter's house lot in Schenectady was on the south corner of Union and Church streets, two hundred feet square; the northerly half he conveyed to Joris Arissen Vander Baast (now occupied by James R. Craig, Esq.), and the southerly half as above. The later lot is now occupied by Volney Freeman, Esq. In the massacre of 1690, Vander Baast was killed by the Indians.

[4] This lot was sold subsequently to Davidt Christoffelse, who, with his children, was massacred by the Indians on the 9th of February, 1690. It was still owned by his heirs in 1699.

Appeared before me, Ludovicus Cobes, secretary of Albany, etc., in the presence of the honorable Heeren commissaries, etc., Mr. Philip Pieterse Schuyler and Mr. Jan Van Bael, Bastiaen De Winter, who declares, that in true rights, free ownership, he grants, conveys and makes over by these presents, to and for the behoof of Elias [Van] Gyselingh and Pieter Cornelisse Viele, in a certain plantation [1] lying at Schaenhechtede, in breadth on the west side 350 rods and length on the north side 60 rods, lying by the first land of Willem Teller and Maritie Damen, by virtue of a patent thereof from the right honorable general, Francis Lovelace, of date the 21st of Oct., 1670, to which reference is herein made; free and unincumbered, with no claims standing or issuing against the same, and without the grantor's making the least pretension thereto any more, acknowledging that he is fully paid and satisfied therefor, the first penny with the last, by the hands of said Elias Gyselingh and Pieter Cornelisse Viele, and therefore giving *plenam actionem cessam*, and full power to the aforesaid Elias Gyselingh and Pieter Cornelisse Viele to do with and dispose of said plantation, as they might do with their patrimonial estate and effects; promising to protect and free said plantation from all such trouble, claims and liens of every person as are lawful, and further, never more to do nor suffer any thing to be done against the same, either with or without law, in any manner, on pledge according to law therefor provided.

Done in Albany, the 22d of November, 1670.

BASTIAEN DE WINTER.

Philip Pieterse Schuyler.
Jan Hend: Van Bael.

In my presence,

LUDOVICUS COBES, Secretary.

Appeared before me, Ludovicus Cobes, secretary of Albany, etc., on the date underwritten, in the presence of the honorable Heeren commissaries, etc., Mr. Philip Pieterse Schuyler and Mr. Jan Van Bael, Bastiaen De Winter, who declares that in true rights, free ownership, he grants, conveys and makes over by these presents, to and for the behoof of Joris Arissen [Van der Baast], in a cellar, dwelling, barn, rick and lot lying at Schaenhechtade, the lot being in breadth one hundred feet and in length two hundred feet,[2] by virtue of the patent thereof from the right honorable general, Lovelace, dated the 21st of October, 1670, to which reference is herein made; free and unincumbered, with no claims standing or issuing against the same, excepting the lord's right, and without the grantor's making the least pretension thereto any more, acknowledging that he is fully paid and satisfied therefor, the first penny with the last, by the hands of the aforenamed Joris Arissen and therefore giving *plenam actionem cessam*, and full power to the aforenamed Joris Arissen, his heirs and successors or assigns, to do with and dispose of said cellar, dwelling, barn, rick and lot, as he might do with his patrimonial estate and effects; promising to protect and free the same from all such trouble, claims and liens of every person as are lawful, and never

[1] "Elias' *Plantatie*" lies in the Groote Vlachte on the east side of Willem Teller's (now Poenties) kil. It remained in the Van Guysling family until 1865. The ancient house built by the first settler is still standing there, and occupied by the present owner of the farm.

[2] This lot, lying on the south corner of Union and Church streets, is now occupied by James R. Craig, Esq. Vander Baast was a surveyor and lived here twenty years, until the massacre in 1690, when he was killed by the Indians. It is not known that he left any family.

more to do nor suffer anything to be done against the same, with or without law, in any manner, on pledge according to laws therefor provided.

Done in Albany the 22d of November, 1670.

BASTEIAEN DE WINTER.

Philip Pieterse Schuyler.
Jan Hend: Van Bael.

In my presence,

LUDOVICUS COBES, Secretary.

Appeared before me, Ludovicus Cobes, secretary of Albany, etc., in the presence of the honorable Heeren commissaries, etc., Mr. Philip Pieterse Schuyler and Mr. Jan Van Bael, Bastiaen De Winter, who declares that in true rights, free ownership, he grants, conveys and makes over by these presents, to and for the behoof of Gerrit Claese Kulernan, in a garden lying at Schaenhechtede, in length, breadth and boundaries according to the tenor and contents of the patent thereof, to which reference is herein made; free and unincumbered, with no claims standing or issuing against the same, save the lord's right, and without the grantor's making the least pretension thereto any more, acknowledging that he is fully paid and satisfied therefor, the first penny with the last, and therefore giving *plenam actionem cessam*, and full power to said Gerrit Claese, his heirs and successors or assigns, to do with and dispose of said garden, as he might do with his patrimonial estate and effects; promising to protect and free the same from all such claims, troubles and liens of every person as are lawful, and further, never more to do nor suffer anything to be done against the same, with or without law, in any manner, on pledge according to laws therefor provided.

BASTEIAEN DE WINTER.

Philip Pieterse Schuyler.
Jan Hend: Van Bael.

In my presence,

LUDOVICUS COBES, Secretary.

Appeared before me, Ludovicus Cobes, secretary of Albany, etc., in the presence of the honorable Heeren commissaries, etc., Mr. Philip Pieterse Schuyler and Mr. Jan Hendrickse Van Bael, the honorable Volkert Janse [Douw], and Jan Thomase, who declare that in true rights, free ownership, they grant, convey and make over by these presents, to and for the behoof of Jan Laurense [Van Alen], in a certain parcel of land or plantation, as the same lies in fence and formerly occupied by Adriaen Dirruxse De Vries, lying on the fast bank [of the North river], at Schotack, with a little piece outside the fence formerly planted by the Indians; free and unincumbered, with no claims standing or issuing against the same, excepting the lord's right, and without the grantors' making the least pretension thereto any more, acknowledging that they are fully paid and satisfied therefor, the first penny with the last, and therefore giving *plenam actionem cessam*, and full power to said Jan Laurense, his heirs and successors or assigns, to do with or dispose of said land, as he might do with his patrimonial estate and effects; promising to protect and free the same from all such trouble, claims and liens of every person as are lawful, and further, never more to do nor suffer anything

to be done against the same, with or without law, in any manner, on pledge according to laws therefor provided.

Done in Albany, the 29th of December, 1670.

VOLKERT JANSE.
JAN THOMAS.

Philip Pieterse Schuyler.
Jan Hend: Van Bael.

In my presence,

LUDOVICUS COBES, Secretary.

Appeared before me, Ludovicus Cobes, secretary of Albany, etc., in the presence of the honorable Heeren commissaries, etc., Mr. Philip Pieterse Schuyler and Mr. Jan Hendrickse Van Bael, the honorable sergeant William Parker, who declares that in true rights, free ownership, he grants, conveys and makes over by these presents, to and for the behoof of Dirck Albertse Bratt, in his certain lot lying on the hill to the north of Ryck Claese [Van Vranken], breadth twenty feet, and length four rods, by virtue of the patent thereof, dated the 2d of June, 1669, to which reference is herein made, free and unincumbered, with no claims standing or issuing against the same, saving the lord's right, and without the grantor's making the least pretension thereto any more, acknowledging that he is fully paid and satisfied therefor, the first penny with the last, and therefore giving *plenam actionem cessam*, and full power to the aforesaid Dirck Albertse, his heirs and successors or assigns, to do with and dispose of said lot, as he might do with his patrimonial estate and effects; promising to protect and free the same from all such trouble, claims and liens of every person as are lawful, and further, never more to do nor suffer anything to be done against the same, with or without law, in any manner, on pledge according to laws therefor provided.

Done in Albany, the 11th of February, 167$\frac{0}{1}$.

WM. PARKER.

Philip Pieterse Schuyler.
Jan Hend: Van Bael.

In my presence,

LUDOVICUS COBES, Secretary.

Appeared before me, Ludovicus Cobes, secretary of Albany, etc., in the presence of the honorable Heeren commissaries, etc., Mr. Philip Pieterse Schuyler, and Theunis Cornelise Vander Poel, Dirckie Hermense, empowered by her husband Jan Martense [De Wever], who acknowledges that she is well and honestly indebted and in arrears to Mr. Goosen Gerritse [Van Schaick], in the sum of three hundred and eighteen guilders, in good, whole and merchantable beaver skins for wares and merchandise to her full content received, which aforesaid sum of three hundred and eighteen guilders in beavers she, the subscriber, promises to pay to the aforesaid Goosen Gerritse in the following manner. *Firstly*, twenty-five skipples of winter wheat next spring, or other wares at market and beaver prices, and the remainder in the three following years also in wheat and grain, therefor pledging specially her house, barn, ricks, land and soil, behind Kinderhoeck, together with all her horses and cattle, and generally her person and estate, personal and real, present and future, nothing excepted, placing the same in subjection to all the lord's law and judges.

Signed with her own hand in witness of the truth of the same this 21st of February, 167$\frac{0}{1}$ in Albany.

The mark + of JAN MARTENSE, with his own hand set.

DERCKIEN HERMENSE.

Philip Pieterse Schuyler.
Teunis Cornelisse.

In my presence,

LUDOVICUS COBES, Secretary.

Appeared before me, Ludovicus Cobes, secretary of Albany, etc., in the presence of the honorable Heeren commissaries, etc., Philip Pieterse Schuyler and Theunise Cornelisse Van der Poel, Symon Volckertse [Veeder, *alias* de Backer], husbandman dwelling at Schaenhechtede, who declares, that in true rights, free ownership, he grants, conveys and makes over by these presents, to and for the behoof of Joris Arissen [Vander Baast] in his certain lot of pasture land [1] lying at Schaenhechtede, in length 75 rods, adjoining to the east of Gerrit Bancker, on the north side the [Mohawk] river, breadth 15 rods, on the west side [of] the common pasture ground, and on the south side the wood road [Front street]; free and unincumbered, with no claims standing or issuing against the same, except the lord's right, and without the grantor's making the least pretension any more thereto, acknowledging that he is fully paid and satisfied therefor, the first penny with the last, by the hands of the said Joris Arissen, and therefore giving *plenam actionem cessam*, and full power to said Arissen, his heirs and successors or assigns, to do with and dispose thereof, as he might do with his patrimonial estate and effects; promising to protect and free the same from all such troubles, claims and liens of every person as are lawful, and further never more to do nor suffer anything to be done against the same, with or without law, in any manner, on pledge according to laws therefor provided.

Done in Albany the 27th of Feb., 167$\frac{0}{1}$.

The mark of ┴┼┼┼/ SYMON VOLCKERTS, with his own hand set.

Philip Pieterse.
Teunisse Cornelisse.

In my presence,

LUDOVICUS COBES, Secretary.

Appeared before me, Ludovicus Cobes, secretary of Albany, etc., in the presence of the honorable Heeren commissaries, etc., Theunisse Cornelisse Vander Poel and Pieter Meese Vrooman, Direk Hesselingh, who acknowledges, that he is well and honestly indebted to Juriaen Theunisse Tappen in the quantity of a hundred and five good whole and merchantable beaver skins according to the contract, of date the 21st of March, therefor passed for a *bouwery*,[2] house, barn, and ricks lying at Schaenhechtede, to his content received, which aforesaid 105 beavers the subscriber promises to pay at the stipulated time, therefor pledging specially his house and

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[1] The *weylandt* allotted to the first settlers lay between Front street and the Mohawk river. These lots contained from four to five acres each; the one above described was the easternmost lot next to the *arme wey* or poor pasture.

[2] This *bouwery*, being the hindermost lot number eight of the *Groote Valchte*, Hesselingh sold to Harmen Albertse Vedder in 1672, in whose family it remained many years. It forms now a part of the homestead of Col. Daniel D. Campbell of Rotterdam.

lot lying here in Albany and the aforesaid land or *bouwery* with house, barn, and ricks, and generally his person and estate, personal and real, present and future, to recover in due time, if need be, the payment without cost or loss.

Done in Albany, the 21st of March 167$\frac{0}{1}$.

DIRCK HESSELLINGH.

Teunisse Cornelissen.
Pieterse Meese Vrooman.

In my presence,

LUDOVICUS COBES, Secretary.

For this special obligation Jurriaen Theunisse acknowledges that he is honestly satisfied.

Albany, the 21st of Oct., 1672.

JUREJAN TUNSEN.

Appeared before me, Ludovicus Cobes, secretary of Albany, etc., in the presence of the honorable Heeren commissaries, etc., Messrs. Goosen Gerritse [Van Schaick] and Jan Hendrickse Van Bael, Jan Timmel, who declares that in true rights, free ownership, he grants, conveys and makes over by these presents, to and for the behoof of Theunis Dirrixse [Van Vechten], in his house, barn, rick and stable, standing in Greenbush, formerly belonging to Thomas Koningh, except some boards, according to stipulations made, free and unincumbered, with no claims standing or issuing against the same, excepting the right of the Heer patroon of the colony, without the grantor's making the least pretension thereto any more, acknowledging that he is fully paid and satisfied therefor, the first penny with the last, by the hands of said Theunis Dirrixse, and therefore giving *plenam actionem cessam*, and full power to said Theunis Dirrixse, his heirs and successors or assigns, to do with and dispose of said house, barn, rick and stable, as he might do with his patrimonial estate and effects; promising to protect and free the same from all such trouble, claims and liens of every person as are lawful, and further, never more to do nor suffer anything to be done against the same, with or without law, in any manner, on pledge according to laws therefor provided.

Done in Albany, the 30th of March, 1671.

The mark of + JAN TIMMEL, with his own hand set.

Jan Hend: Van Bael.
Goosen Gerritse.

In my presence,

LUDOVICUS COBES, Secretary.

Appeared before me, Ludovicus Cobes, secretary of Albany, etc., in the presence of the honorable Heeren commissaries, etc., Philip Pieterse Schuyler and Jan Hendrickse Van Bael, Mr. Jan Clute, Jurriaen Theunisse [Tappen] and Meyndert Frederickse [smith], who declare that in true rights, free ownership, they grant, convey and make over, by these presents, to and for the behoof of Marten Gerritse [Van Bergen], in a certain parcel of land, lying at Kocxhaxki, adjoining on the south side of the land of Hilleken Bronck, beginning at the stone kil and extending south along the Katskil path to the spring (*fonteyn*) or the hill *styftsinck*, east to the river, and north again to the land of Hilleken

Bronck, by virtue of a patent thereof, to which reference is herein made; free and unincumbered, with no claims standing or issuing against the same, excepting the lord's right, without the grantors' making the least claim thereto any more, acknowledging that they are fully paid and satisfied therefor, the first penny with the last, and therefore giving *plenam actionem cessam*, and full power to said Marten Gerritsen, his heirs and successors or assigns, to do with and dispose of said parcel of land, as they might do with their patrimonial estate and effects; promising to protect and free the same from all such troubles, claims and liens of every person as are lawful, and further, never more to do nor suffer anything to be done against the same, with or without law, in any manner, on pledge according to laws therefor provided.

Done in Albany, the 26th of April, 1671.

JOHANNES CLUTE.
JUREJAN TUNSEN.
The mark of + MEYNDERT FREDERICKSE.
Philip Pieterse Schuyler. with his own hand set.
Jan Hend: Van Bael.

In my presence,

LUDOVICUS COBES, Secretary.

Appeared before me, Ludovicus Cobes, secretary of Albany, etc., in the presence of the honorable Heeren commissaries, etc., Mr. Philip Schuyler and Theunis Cornelise Vander Poel, Mr. John Stuart, who acknowledges that he is well and honestly indebted and in arrears to Mr. Goosen Gerritse [Van Schaick], trader, dwelling here, in the quantity of thirty whole and good beaver skins, every piece of which shall weigh one and a half pounds, for two pieces of duffels, to his content received; likewise twenty-seven whole good and merchantable beaver skins for two pieces of blankets (*deeckens*), also to the content of the subscriber received; which aforesaid beavers, as well the heavy as the common, the subscriber promises to pay to the aforesaid Mr. Gerritse, to begin with the next business season, and, according to opportunity, to end with the same, therefor pledging specially his shanty (*loodtswooninge*), with the lot of the same lying on the hill, according to conveyance of date the 20th of August, 1670, received by him from Jan Conneel, and further, generally, his person and estate, personal and real, present and future, nothing excepted, putting the same in subjection to all the lord's laws and judges for the recovery of the payment in due time, if need be, without cost or loss.

Done in Albany, the 27th of May, 1671.

JOHN STEWART.

In my presence,

LUDOVICUS COBES, Secretary.

Copia Vera.

Appeared before me, Nicholaes Bayard, admitted secretary of the honorable mayor's court of the city of New York, on the island of Manhatan and before the afternamed witnesses, the honorable Adriaen Appel, inhabitant here, being about to depart for Albany, who acknowledges that he is well and honestly indebted to Mr. Petrus Stuyvesant, in the net sum of five hundred and fifteen guilders eighteen stuivers in

seewant growing out of house hire due according to sentence of the honorable mayor's court, of date the 2d of March, A. D. 166$\frac{8}{9}$, which aforesaid sum of *f* 515–18 the subscriber promises to pay to said Heer Stuyvesant, or his lawful order, in good current strung seewant in the time of the three following years, every year a just third part of the said sum, and for the accomplishment of which and the full payment of said sum, offers as a special pledge and mortgage his house and lot standing and lying in the village of New Albany aforesaid, to the north the house and lot of David Schuyler, and at present leased and occupied by Johannes Dyckman, and further more, generally, his person and estate, personal and real, putting the same in subjection to all laws and judges, requesting moreover my secretary here to pass this deed *in communi forma* to the end that the same may be recorded in the register of the village of Albany aforesaid, to be used when proper.

Signed in witness of the truth of the same by the principal and underwritten witnesses with their own hands in New York, this 3d of May, A. D. 1671.

Was subscribed A. Appel.
Symon Romeyn.
Cornelis Vanden Burch.

Acknowledged before me, N. Bayard, Secretary.
Collated by me, Ludovicus Cobes, Secretary.

Appeared before me, Ludovicus Cobes, secretary of Albany, etc., in the presence of the honorable Heeren commissaries, etc., Mr. Philip Pieterse Schuyler and Jan Hendrickse Van Bael, Mr. Robbert Orteers, master hatter, and Jannetie Donckertse, widow of the late Thomas Paulus [Powell] who declare that in true rights, free ownership, they grant, convey and make over by these presents, to and for the behoof of Hendrick Coenraets [Van Bon], in a certain lot of ground to the west of the kil behind the Kinderhoeck, extending inland along a brook, and bounded to the south by Lourens Van Alen, free and unincumbered, with no claims standing or issuing against the same, excepting the lord's right, without the grantor's making the least pretension thereto any more, acknowledging that they are fully paid and satisfied therefor, the first penny with the last, and therefore giving *plenam actionem cessam*, and full power to said Hendrick Coenraets, his heirs and successors or assigns, to do with and dispose of the aforesaid lot of land, as he might do with his patrimonial estate and effects; promising to protect and free the same, from all such trouble, claims and liens of every person as are lawful, and further, nevermore to do nor suffer anything to be done against the same, with or without law, in any manner, on pledge according to laws therefor provided.

Done in Albany, the 31st of May, 1671.

Robert Orchard.

The mark of Jenneken × Donckerts, with her own hand set.
Philip Pieterse.
Jan Hend: Van Bael.

In my presence, Ludovicus Cobes, Secretary.

Appeared before me, Ludovicus Cobes, secretary of Albany, etc., in the presence of the right honorable Heeren commissaries, etc., Mr. Philip Schuyler and Jan Hendrickse Van Bael, Mr. Robbert Ortiers and Jan-

neken Donckertse, widow of the late Thomas Paulus [*Powell*], who declares, that in true rights, free ownership, they grant, convey and make over, by these presents, to and for the behoof of Laurens Van Alen, in a certain lot and land lying behind the Kinderhoeck to the west of the kil, to the south of Hendrick Coenraets, to the east of Jacob Janse Flodder; free and unincumbered, with no claims standing or issuing against the same, excepting the lord's right, without the grantor's making the least pretension thereto any more, and acknowledging that they are fully paid and satisfied therefore, the first penny with the last, and therefor giving *plenam actionem cessam*, and full power to said Lourens Van Alen, his heirs and successors or assigns, to do with and dispose of said lot and land, as he might do with his patrimonial estate and effects; promising to protect and free the same from all such troubles, claims and liens of every person as are lawful, and further, never more to do nor suffer anything to be done against the same, with or without law, in any manner, on pledge according to laws, therefor provided.

Done in Albany, the 31st of May, 1671.

ROBERT ORCHARD.

The mark of × JENNEKEN DONCKERTSE, with her own hand set.

Philip Pieterse.

Jan Hend: Van Bael.

In my presence, LUDOVICUS COBES, Secretary.

Appeared before me, Ludovicus Cobes, secretary of Albany, etc., in the presence of the honorable Heeren commissaries, etc., Philip Pieterse Schuyler and Jan Hendrickse Van Bael, Mr. Robert Ortier and Janneken Donckerts, widow of the late Thomas Paulus [*Powell*], who declare, that in true rights, free ownership, they grant, convey and make over by these presents, to and for the behoof of Jacob Martense, in a certain lot lying behind the Kinderhoeck to the west of the kil, breadth on the kil 3 rods, on the road five rods, also a parcel of land there to the east of Jan Martense [De Wever] to the west of the kil, free and unincumbered, with no claims standing or issuing against the same, except the lord's right, without the grantor's making the least claim any more against the same, acknowledging that they are fully paid and satisfied therefor, the first penny with the last, and therefore giving *plenam actionem cessam* and full power to said Jacob Martense, his heirs and successors or assigns, to do with and dispose of the same, as he might do with his patrimonial estate and effects; promising to protect and free the same from all such claims, troubles and liens of every person as are lawful, and further, never more to do nor suffer anything to be done, with or without law, in any manner, on pledge according to laws therefor provided.

Done in Albany, the 31st of May, 1671.

ROBERT ORCHARD.

The mark of × JANNEKEN DONCKERTS, with her own hand set.

Philip Pieterse.

J. Hend: Van Bael.

In my presence, LUDOVICUS COBES, Secretary.

Appeared before me, Ludovicus Cobes, secretary of Albany, etc., in the presence of the honorable Heeren commissaries, etc., Mr. Philip Pieterse Schuyler and Jan Hendrickse Van Bael, Mr. Robbert Ortiers and Jan-

neken Donckerts, widow of the late Thomas Paulus [Powell], who declare that in true rights, free ownership, they grant, convey and make over, by these presents, to and for the behoof of Dirck Hendricxse Sweed [*alias* Bye[1]], in a certain lot lying behind Kinderhoeck, to the west of the kil, to the south of Jacob Martense, to the east of Jan Martense [De Wever], free and unincumbered, with no claim standing or issuing against the same, excepting the lord's right, without the grantors' making the least pretension thereto any more, also acknowledging that they are fully paid and satisfied therefor, the first penny with the last, and therefore giving *plenam actionem cessam*, and full power to the said Dirck Hendricxse Sweed, his heirs and successors or assigns, to do with and dispose of said lot, as he might do with his patrimonial estate and effects; promising to protect and free the same from all such trouble, claims and liens of every person as are lawful, and further, never more to do nor suffer anything to be done against the same, with or without law, in any manner, on pledge according to laws therefor provided.

Done in Albany, the 31st of May, 1671. ROBERT ORCHARD.

This is the mark of × JENNEKEN DONCKERTS,
with her own hand set.

Philip Pieterse.
Jan Hend: Van Bael.

In my presence, LUDOVICUS COBES, Secretary.

Appeared before me, Ludovicus Cobes, secretary of Albany, etc., in the presence of the honorable Heeren commissaries, etc., Mr. Philip Schuyler and Jan Hendricxse Van Bael, Mr. Robbert Ortiers and Janneken Donckerts, widow of the late Thomas Paulus [Powell], who declare that in true rights, free ownership, they grant, convey and make over, by these presents, to and for the behoof of Andries Hanse [Sharp], in a certain parcel of land, lying behind Kinderhoeck, separated from Jan Martense [De Wever's] land by a little brook; free and unincumbered, with no claims standing or issuing against the same, excepting the lord's right, without the grantors' making the least pretension thereto any more, also acknowledging that they are fully paid and satisfied therefor by a mortgage for the sum of *f* 64 in beavers and *f* 7 in seewant, and therefore giving *plenam actionem cessam*, and full power to said Andries Hanse,[2] his heirs and successors or assigns, to do with and dispose of said parcel of land, as he might do with his patrimonial possessions and effects; promising to protect and free the same from all such troubles, claims and liens of every person as are lawful, and further, never more to do nor suffer anything to be done against the same with or without law, in any manner, on pledge according to laws therefor provided.

Done in Albany, the 31st of May, 1671.

ROBERT ORCHARD.

This is the mark of × JENNEKEN DONCKERTS,
with her own hand set.

Philip Pieterse.
Jan Hend: Van Bael.

In my presence, LUDOVICUS COBES, Secretary.

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[1] He conveyed this or another lot to Pieter Du Moree, in 1676.—*Deeds*, 1, 286.

[2] The surname of Andries Hanse is variously spelled Sharp, Scharp, Scherp and Schaap. He early settled at Kinderhook, where his two sons, Johannes and Gysbert also settled, and had large families.

Appeared before me, Ludovicus Cobes, secretary of Albany, etc., in the presence of the honorable Heeren commissaries, etc,, Mr. Philip Schuyler and Jan Hendrixse Van Bael, Mr. Robbert Ortiers and Janneken Donckerts who declare, that in true rights, free ownership, they grant, convey and make over by these presents, to and for the behoof of Jan Martense [De Wever], in a certain parcel of land lying behind Kinderhoeck, adjoining to the south Dirck [Hendrickse Bye *alias*] De Sweed, to the west Jacob Martense and the kil, easterly a little brook dividing the same from the land of Andries Hanse [Sharp]; free and unincumbered, with no claims standing or issuing against the same, save the lord's right, without the grantors' making the least claim any more thereto, also acknowledging that they are fully paid and satisfied therefor by a mortgage for the sum of seventy whole and good merchantable beaver skins, and therefore giving *plenam actionem cessam*, and full power to said Jan Martense, his heirs and successors or assigns, to do with and dispose of said land, as he might do with his patrimonial estate and effects; promising to protect and free the same from all such troubles, claims and liens of every person, as are lawful, and further, never more to do nor suffer anything to be done against the same, with or without law, in any manner, on pledge according to laws therefor provided.

Done in Albany, the 31st of May, 1671.

ROBERT ORCHARD.

The mark of × JENNEKEN DONCKERTS, with her own hand set.

Philip Pieterse.

Jan Hend: Van Bael.

In my presence,

LUDOVICUS COBES, Secretary.

Appeared before me, Ludovicus Cobes, secretary of Albany, etc., in the presence of the honorable Heeren commissaries, etc., Mr. Philip Schuyler and Jan Hendricxse Van Bael, Dirckie Hermens, empowered by her husband Jan Martense [De Wever] dwelling behind Kinderhoeck, who acknowledges that she is well and honestly indebted and in arrears to Mr. Jan Bruyns in the quantity of seventy whole, good and merchantable beaver skins, growing out of the matter of the purchase, and consideration of a parcel of land by her, the subscriber, purchased, lying behind Kinderhoeck, which aforesaid seventy whole beavers, she promises to pay to said Mr. Bruyns or his order, to wit, thirty next spring, 1672, and the remaining forty beavers also in the spring, and in default of payment of the forty beavers promises to pay as interest four beavers a year, but if she cannot make the payment in beavers then she promises to give good winter wheat at beaver and market price; therefor pledging specially her land and *bouwery* behind Kinderhoeck, and generally her person and estate, personal and real, present and future, nothing excepted, placing the same in subjection to all the lord's laws and judges, for the recovery in due time, if necessary, of said payment, without loss or cost.

Done in Albany, this 31st of May, 1671.

DERCKIEN HERMENS.

Philip Pieterse.

Jan Hend: Van Bael.

In my presence,

LUDOVICUS COBES, Secretary.

Appeared before me, Ludovicus Cobes, secretary of Albany, etc., in the presence of the honorable Heeren commissaries, etc., Philip Pieterse Schuyler and Jan Hendrickse Van Bael, Eldert Gerbertse Cruiff, who acknowledges that he is well and honestly indebted and in arrears to Messieurs Jan Hendrick Bruyns and Hans Hendrickse, in the net sum of *f* 350 in beavers and *f* 48 in seewant, together with seventy-five boards, growing out of the matter of security, as principals bound for said Cruiff, in consequence of a certain sentence, dated the 5th of January, 1670, which aforesaid money the subscriber promises to pay to said Jan Hendrick Bruyns and Hans Hendricxse punctually in the time of six weeks, without any longer delay, therefor pledging specially his distilling kettle, worm and dome, his saw mill at Bethlehem and all his lands in Catskil together with all his title to his house, brewery and lot lying here in Albany, likewise two cows here, four cattle with Gerrit Theunisse [Van Vechten,] two cattle with Melgert Abrahamse [Van Deusen] at Schotack, three head of cattle with Jan Helmerse [*alias* de Boek] the half of which is coming to him, three heifers with Hendrick Maersen and a bull; and further more generally his person and estate, personal and real, present and future, nothing excepted, putting the same in subjection to all the lord's laws and judges, for the recovery of said payment in due time, if need be, without loss or cost.

Done in Albany, the 21st of June, 1671.

Philip Pieterse. ELDERT GERBERTSE CRUYFF.
Jan Hend: Van Bael.

Acknowledged before me, LUDOVICUS COBES, Secretary.

Appeared before me, Ludovicus Cobes, secretary of Albany, etc., in the presence of the honorable Heeren commissaries, etc., Philip Pieterse Schuyler and Jan Hendricxse Van Bael, Paulus Janse, who declares that in true rights, free ownership, he grants, conveys and makes over by these presents to and for the behoof of Christiaen Christiaense,[1] dwelling at Schaenhechtede, in his plantation lying there, consisting of one and a half morgens and bounded according to the patent thereof from the right honorable general of New York, Francis Lovelace, dated the 24th of May, 1669, to which reference is herein made; free and unincumbered, with no claims standing or issuing against the same, excepting the lord's right, without the grantor's making the least claim thereto any more, acknowledging that he is fully paid and satisfied therefor, the first penny with the last, and therefore giving *plenam actionem cessam*, and full power to the aforenamed Christiaen Christiaense, his heirs and successors or assigns, to do with and dispose of said plantation, as he might do with his patrimonial estate and effects; promising to protect and free the same from all such troubles, claims and liens of every person as are lawful, and further, never more to do nor suffer anything to be done, with or without law, in any manner, on pledge according to law therefor provided.

Done in Albany, the 23*d* of June, 1671.

Philip Pieterse. POULYS JANSEN.
Jan Hend: Van Bael.

In my presence, LUDOVICUS COBES, Secretary.

[1] Christiaen Christiaense's house lot in Schenectady had a front of 100 feet on Union street, one-half being now included in the lot of the First Reformed church, and the remainder owned and occupied by Aaron Barringer, Esq. He sold this lot in 1691, to Neeltie Claese, widow of Hendrik Gardenier.

Appeared before me, Ludovicus Cobes, secretary of Albany, etc., in the presence of the honorable Heeren commissaries, etc., Philip Pieterse Schuyler and Jan Hendricxse Van Bael, Mr. Jan [Hendrick] Bruyns, who declares, that in true rights, free ownership, he grants, conveys and makes over by these presents, to and for the behoof of Hendrick Gerritse Vermeulen in certain two gardens lying near the others behind Fort Albany, by virtue of a deed of conveyance given by the Heer Jeremias Van Rensselaer to the behoof of the grantor, of date the $\frac{6}{16}$ July, 1667, without the grantor's making the least pretension thereto any more, acknowledging that he is fully paid and satisfied therefor, the first penny with the last, and therefore giving *plenam actionem cessam*, and full power to Hendrick Gerritse, his heirs and successors or assigns, to do with and dispose of said two gardens, as he might do with his patrimonial lands and effects; promising to protect and free said gardens from all such troubles, claims and liens of every person as are lawful, and further, never more to do nor suffer anything to be done against the same, with or without law, in any manner, on pledge according to laws, therefor provided.

Done in Albany, the 18th of June, 1671.

JAN HENDERICK BRUYNS.

Philip Pieterse.
Jan Hend: Van Bael.

In my presence, LUDOVICUS COBES, Secretary.

Note.— In accordance with the above conveyance the two gardens were again made over to Herman Vedder.

Appeared before me, Ludovicus Cobes, secretary of Albany, etc., in the presence of the honorable Heeren commissaries, etc., Philip Pieterse Schuyler and Jan Hend. Van Bael, Mr. Jan [Hendricxse] Bruyns, who declares that in true rights, free ownership, he grants, conveys and makes over by these presents, to and for the behoof of Ruth Arissen, master shoemaker, in a little barn, with a lot lying here in Albany, on the plain, to the east of the road, length six rods; to the north, the road, breadth three rods; to the west, Thomas Paulus [Powell], length six rods; to the south, the plain, breadth three rods, by virtue of the patent thereof from the right honorable general Nicolls, of date the 20th of April, 1667, to which reference is herein made; free and unincumbered, with no claims standing or issuing against the same, excepting the lord's right, without the grantor's making the least pretension thereto any more, acknowledging that he is fully paid and satisfied therefor, the first penny with the last, and therefore giving *plenam actionem cessam*, and full power to said Ruth Arissen, his heirs and successors or assigns, to do with and dispose of said barn and lot, as he might do with his patrimonial estate and effects; promising to protect and free the same from all such troubles, claims and liens of every person as are lawful, and further, never more to do nor suffer anything to be done against the same, with or without law, in any manner, on pledge according to laws therefor provided.

Done in Albany, the 18th of July, 1671.

JAN HENDERCK BRUYNS.

Jan Hend: Van Bael.
Philip Pieterse.

In my presence, LUDOVICUS COBES, Secretary.

Appeared before me, Ludovicus Cobes, secretary of Albany, etc., in the presence of the honorable Heeren commissaries, etc., Messrs. Goosen Gerritse [Van Schaick] and Jan Hendrickxse Van Bael, Capt. Thomas Willet, who declares that in true rights, free ownership, he grants, conveys and makes over by these presents, to and for the behoof of Mr. Philip Pieterse Schuyler, in a certain house and lot standing and lying here in Albany, bounded and enclosed according to patent thereof, of date the 13th of August, 1668, from the right honorable Heer general, Richard Nicolls; free and unincumbered, with no claims standing or issuing against the same, excepting the lord's right, without the grantor's making the least pretension thereto any more, acknowledging that he is fully paid and satisfied therefor, the first penny with the last, and therefore giving *plenam actionem cessam*, and full power to said Philip Pieterse Schuyler, his heirs and successors or assigns, to do with and dispose of said house and lot, as he might do with his patrimonial estate and effects, promising to protect and free the same from all such troubles, claims and liens of every person as are lawful, and further, never more to do nor suffer anything to be done against the same, with or without law, in any manner, on pledge according to laws therefor provided.

Done in Albany, the 2d of Sept. 1671.

THO: WILLET.

Goosen Gerritse.
Jan Hend: Van Bael.

In my presence,

LUDOVICUS COBES, Secretary.

Appeared before me, Ludovicus Cobes, secretary of Albany, etc., and in the presence of the honorable Heeren commissaries, etc., Messrs. Philip Pieterse Schuyler and Jan Hendrickxse Van Bael, Mr. Hendrick Koster, who declares that in true rights, free ownership, he grants, conveys and makes over by these presents, to and for the behoof of Gerrit Reyerse, in a certain parcel of land, lying on the hill here, length to the south fifteen feet and eight and a half inches, wood feet, length to the north sixteen feet one inch, wood feet, and breadth fifteen feet, Rynland measure, by virtue of a patent to him, the grantor, given; free and unincumbered, with no claims standing nor issuing against the same, excepting the lord's right, without the grantor's making the least pretension thereto any more, also acknowledging that he is fully paid and satisfied therefor, the first penny with the last, and therefore giving *plenam actionem cessam*, and full power to Gerrit Reyerson, his heirs and successors or assigns, to do with and dispose of said lot, as he might do with his patrimonial estate and effects; promising to protect and free the same from all such trouble, claims and liens of every person as are lawful, and further, never more to do nor suffer anything to be done against the same, with or without law, in any manner, on pledge according to laws therefor provided.

Done in Albany, the 13th of September, 1671.

HENDERECK KOSTER.

Philip Pieterse.
Jan Hend: Van Bael.

Appeared before me, Ludovicus Cobes, secretary of Albany, etc., in the presence of the honorable Heeren commissaries etc., Messrs. Philip

Pieterse Schuyler, and Jan Hendricxse Van Bael, Andries De Vos, who declares that in true rights, free ownership, he grants, conveys and makes over by these presents, to and for the behoof of Jan Andriesse [Kuyper], in a certain parcel of land lying here on the hill, bounded on the north side by the road, on the east side also by the road, to the south the lot of Edward Schot, to the west the lot of Jacob Thyssen [Vander Heyden], in breadth and length according to the fence; free and unincumbered, with no claims standing or issuing against the same, excepting the lord's right, without the grantor's making the least pretension thereto any more, also acknowledging that he is fully paid and satisfied therefor, the first penny with the last, and therefor giving *plenam actionem cessam*, and full power to the aforesaid Jan Andriesse, his heirs and successors or assigns, to do with and dispose of the aforesaid lot, as he might do with his patrimonial estate and effects; promising to protect and free the same from all such trouble, claims and liens of every person as are lawful, and further, never more to do nor suffer anything to be done against the same, with or without law, in any manner, on pledge according to laws therefor provided.

Done in Albany, the 13th of September, 1671.

ANDRYES DE VOS.

Philip Pieterse.
Jan Hend: Van Bael.

In my presence,

LUDOVICUS COBES, Secretary.

Appeared before me, Ludovicus Cobes, secretary of Albany, etc., in the presence of Messrs. Philip Pieterse Schuyler, and Jan Hendricxse Van Bael, commissaries, Johannes De Wandelaer, who declares that in true rights, free ownership, he grants, conveys and makes over by these presents, to and for the behoof of Evert Janse [Wendel], in his house and lot lying on the hill here in Albany, and the lot is fifteen feet in breadth in front according to the patent thereof in the custody of Omy La Grand; free and unincumbered, with no claims standing or issuing against the same, excepting the lord's right, without the grantor's making the least pretension thereto any more, also acknowledging that he is fully paid and satisfied therefor, the first penny with the last, and therefore giving *plenam actionem cessam*, and full power to the aforenamed Evert Janse, his heirs and successors or assigns, to do with and dispose of said house, as he might do with his patrimonial estate and effects; promising to protect and free the same from all such troubles, claims and liens of every person as are lawful, and further, never more to do nor suffer anything to be done against the same, either with or without laws, in any manner, on pledge according to laws therefor provided.

Done in Albany, the 22d of September, 1671.

JONANNES DE WANDELAER.

Philip Pieterse.
Jan Hend: Van Bael.

In my presence,

LUDOVICUS COBES, Secretary.

Appeared before me, Ludovicus Cobes, secretary of Albany, etc., in the presence of the honorable Heeren commissaries, etc., Messrs. Philip

Pieterse Schuyler and Jan Hendricxse Van Bael, Pieter Jacobse Borsboom, who declares, that in true rights, free ownership, he grants, conveys and makes over by these presents, to and for the behoof of Mr. William Loveridge, his heirs and successors, in a certain house and lot here in Albany, breadth in front on the street forty wood feet 3½ inches, and in the rear on the end of Jacob Joosten [Van Covelen's] lot breadth thirty wood feet, and in the rear on the river bank (*strant*) breadth twenty-eight wood feet, length to the river bank, which said house and lot is bounded north by the King's [court] house,[1] and south by the house of Jacob Joosten [Van Covelen]; by virtue of a patent in the custody of the widow of the late Mr. Jacob De Hinsse, dated the 3d of May, 1667, to which reference is herein made, on condition that the grantor has purchased some feet of land from Sander Leendertse [Glen], which is also comprehended herein, extending also to the King's house; all free and unincumbered, with no claims standing or issuing against the same, excepting the lord's right, without the grantor's making the least claim thereto any more, also acknowledging that he is fully paid and satisfied therefor in a sum of nineteen beavers in wares, together with a mortgage on said house and lot for the sum of five and thirty whole and merchantable beaver skins, and therefore giving *plenam actionem cessam*, and full power to said Mr. William Loveridge, his heirs and successors or assigns, to do with and dispose of said house and lot, as he might do with his patrimonial estate and effects; promising to protect and free the same from all such trouble and liens of every person as are lawful, and further, never more to do nor suffer anything to be done against the same, with or without law, in any manner, on pledge according to laws therefor provided.

Done in Albany, the 30th September, 1671.

PIETER YACOBSE BORSBOOM.

Jan Hend: Van Bael.
Philip Pieterse.

In my presence, LUDOVICUS COBES, Secretary.

Appeared before me, Ludovicus Cobes, secretary of Albany, etc., in the presence of the honorable Heeren commissaries, etc., Messrs. Philip Pieterse Schuyler, and Jan Hendricxse Van Bael, Mr. William Loveridge, master hatter, who acknowledges that he is well and honestly indebted and in arrears to Pieter Jacobse Borsboom in the quantity of five and thirty whole, good and merchantable beaver skins growing out of the matter of the purchase and consideration of a certain house and lot received from him, which said thirty-five beavers the subscriber promises to pay to said Pieter Jacobse or his order in two installments of the half each, the first in the business season of 1673, and the second the year following, therefor pledging specially the aforesaid house and lot, and generally, his person and estate, personal and real, present and future, nothing excepted, placing the same in subjection to all the lord's laws and judges for the recovery of said payment in due time, if need be, without cost and loss.

Albany, the 30th of September, 1671. WILLIEM LOVERIDGE.

Jan Hend: Van Bael.
Philip Pieterse.

In my presence, LUDOVICUS COBES, Secretary,

[1] The King's [court] house was on the east corner of Broadway and Hudson street, the above lot extended south forty feet along Broadway and in the rear to the river.

Appeared before me, Ludovicus Cobes, secretary of Albany, etc., in the presence of the honorable Heeren commissaries, etc., Messrs. Philip Pieterse Schuyler and Jan Hendricxse Van Bael, sergeant William Parker, who declares that in true rights, free ownership, he grants, conveys and makes over by these presents, to and for the behoof of Ryck Claese [Van Vranken] [1] in his certain lot lying on the hill, breadth twenty feet and length about three and a half rods, south of the lot of Dirck Albertse Brat, by virtue of the patent thereof, dated the 2d of June, 1669, to which reference is herein made; free and unincumbered, with no claims standing or issuing against the same, excepting the lord's right, without the grantor's making the least pretension thereto any more, also acknowledging that he is fully paid and satisfied therefor, the first penny with the last, and therefore giving *plenam actionem cessam*, and full power to the aforesaid Ryck Claese, his heirs and successors or assigns, to do with and dispose of said lot, as he might do with his patrimonial estate and effects; promising to protect and free the same from all such troubles, claims and liens of every person as are lawful, and further never more to do nor suffer anything to be done against the same, with or without law, in any manner, on pledge according to laws therefor provided.

Done in Albany, the 13th of Oct., 1671.

WM. PARKER.

Philip Pieterse.
Jan Hend: Van Bael.

In my presence, LUDOVICUS COBES, Secretary.

Appeared before me, Ludovicus Cobes, secretary of Albany, etc., in the presence of the honorable Heeren commissaries, etc., Messrs. Philip Pieterse Schuyler and Jan Hendricxse Van Bael, Adriaentie Cornelise Van Velpen, wife and attorney of Jacob Joosten [Van Covelens], who declares that in true rights, free ownership, she grants, conveys and makes over by these presents, to and for the behoof of Jan Conneel, in her house and lot lying here in Albany, in breadth, length and boundaries, according to the showing of the contract thereof to which reference is herein made; free and unincumbered, with no claims standing or issuing against the same, except the lord's right, without the grantor's making the least pretensions any more thereto, also acknowledging that she is fully paid and satisfied therefor, the first penny with the last, and therefore giving *plenam actionem cessam*, and full power to said Jan Conneel, his heirs and successors or assigns, to do with and dispose of said house and lot, as he might do with his patrimonial estate and effects; promising to protect and free the same from all such trouble, claims and liens of every person as are lawful, and further, never more to do nor suffer any thing to be done against the same, with or without law, in any manner, on pledge according to laws therefor provided.

Done in Albany, the 13th of Oct., 1671.

ADRIANA CORNELIS VAN VELPEN.

Philip Pieterse.
Jan Hend: Van Bael.

In my presence, LUDOVICUS COBES, Secretary.

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[1] Ryckert Claese Van Vranken was in Albany as early as 1665.—*Deeds*, I, 198. In 1672 and 1677 in company with Claes Janse Van Boeckhoven, he bought land over the river at Niskayuna.—*Deeds*, I, 393, and *Notarial Papers*. He probably had sons, Maas, Gerrit and Evert.

Appeared before me, Ludovicus Cobes, secretary of Albany, etc., in the presence of the honorable Heeren commissaries, etc., Mr. Gerrit Van Slichtenhorst and Jan Hendricxse Van Bael, Mr. Marten Cregier, [Junior],[1] who, by warrant and power from the right honorable Heer general, Francis Lovelace, declares that in true rights, free ownership, he grants, conveys and makes over by these presents, to and for the behoof of Jurriaen Theunisse Tappen, two houses, both of which, with their lots, formerly belonged to Dirck Janse Croon, standing and lying here in Albany, of such size and boundaries as the same lies in fence on the little brook; free and unincumbered, with no claims standing or issuing against the same, save the lord's right, without the grantor's making the least pretension any more thereto, also acknowledging that he is fully paid and satisfied therefor, the first penny with the last, and therefore giving *plenam actionem cessam*, and full power to said Jurriaen Theunisse, his heirs and successors or assigns, to do with and dispose of said two houses and lots, as he might do with his patrimonial estate and effects (*nota bene* that the Heer De Laval has received seventy beavers); promising to protect and free the same from all such troubles, claims and liens of every person as are lawful, and further, never more to do nor suffer anything to be done against the same, with or without law, in any manner, on pledge according to laws therefor provided.

Albany, the 13th of September, 1672.

M. Cregier, Junior.

Jan Hend: Van Bael.
Gerrit Van Slichtenhorst.

In my presence,

Ludovicus Cobes, Secretary.

Appeared before me, Ludovicus Cobes, secretary of Albany, etc., in the presence of the honorable Heeren commissaries, Goosen Gerritse [Van Schaick] and Jan. Hend. Van Bael, Eldert Gerbertse Cruyff, who acknowledges that he is well and honestly indebted and in arrears to Heer Jeremias Van Rensselaer, director of the colony Renselaerswyck, in a sum of two thousand six hundred and seventy guilders in grain (*coren*), the wheat at ten guilders in beavers the mudde [four bushels], and the oats at four guilders in beavers the mudde; likewise the sum of two hundred and seventy-eight guilders in seewant; growing out of the rent of a water privilege, lands, etc., for which sum the subscriber conveys and makes over to said Heer Rensselaer, the quantity of fifty beavers, to be received from Hendrick Maerse, which remaining sum in beavers and seewant the subscriber promises to pay to said Heer Rensselaer or his order, in three installments of a third part each, the first on the first of November, 1672, the second in the month of August, 1673, the third a year following, all punctually, or failing the same, interest on the same at ten per cent., therefor pledging specially his saw mill at Bethlehem, and also his house there, together with his right and title to lands in Katskil, and generally his person and estate, personal and real, present

[1] Marten Cregier, Jr., was son of Capt. Marten Cregier of New Amsterdam. About the year 1686 both removed to Albany and received a grant of land on the Mohawk river at Niskayuna. In 1671 the son married Jannetie Hendrikse Van Doesburgh of Albany, daughter of Hendrik Van Doesburgh and Maritie Damen; seven of their children were living at the death of their father in 1702, viz: Marten, Elizabeth wife of Daniel Van Olinda, Maria wife of Johannes Vreelandt, Annatie wife of Victor Becker, Samuel, Johanna, and Geertruy wife of Ulderick Van Vranken. At the death of their mother in 1731 all these children were living except Johanna.

and future, nothing excepted, for the recovery of said payment in due time, if need be, without cost or loss.

Done in Albany, the 15th of November, 1671.

Note.—In this special bond is not included a certain obligation of the subscriber in favor of Jan Baptist Van Rensselaer.

ELDERT GERBERTSE CRUIF.

Jan Hend: Van Bael.
Gerrit Van Slichtenhorst.

In my presence,

LUDOVICUS COBES, Secretary.

Appeared before me, Ludovicus Cobes, secretary of Albany, etc., in the presence of the honorable Heeren commissaries, etc., Jan Hendricxse Van Bael and Gerrit Van Slichtenhorst, Sander Leendertse Glen, who declares that in true rights, free ownership, he grants, conveys and makes over by these presents, to and for the behoof of Mr. Jurriaen Theunisse Tappen in his certain lot with a well lying right over against the king's [court] house,[1] formerly belonging to Jan Bastiaense [Van Gutsenhoven], deceased, being in breadth in front on street [Broadway] up to the city fence [palisadoes] and in the rear twenty-four feet broad; and along back to the eighth post of the former city fence; free and unincumbered, with no claims standing or issuing against the same, excepting the lord's right, without the grantor's making the least pretension thereto any more, also acknowledging that he is fully paid and satisfied therefor, the first penny with the last, and therefore giving *plenam actionem cessam*, and full power to said Jurriaen Theunisse, his heirs and successors or assigns, to do with and dispose of said lot and well, as he might do with his patrimonial estate and effects; promising to protect and free the same from all such trouble, claims, and liens of every person as are lawful, and further, never more to do nor suffer anything to be done against the same, with or without law, in any manner, on pledge according to laws therefor provided.

Done in Albany, the 10th of January, 167½.

SANDER LENRSEN GLEN.

Jan Hend: Van Bael.
Gerrit Van Slichtenhorst.

In my presence,

LUDOVICUS COBES, Secretary.

Appeared before me, Ludovicus Cobes, secretary of Albany, etc., in the presence of the honorable Heeren commissaries, etc., Jan Hendricxse Van Bael, and Gerrit Van Slichtenhorst, Pieter Pieterse Van Woggelum, who acknowledges that he is well and honestly indebted and in arrears to Meyndert Janse Wemp,[2] in the quantity of two hundred and fifty whole good beaver skins, to be paid in six installments, either in wheat or seewant, according to the market, at beavers' price, at such times as are in accordance with the contract thereof, dated the 15th of January 167½, growing out of the matter of a *bouwery* and lands bought of him, therefor

[1] The court house being on the east corner of Broadway and Hudson street the above lot was on the opposite north corner of the same streets and bounded southerly by the city palisadoes.

[2] Meyndert Janse Wemp, eldest son of Jan Barentse Wemp, early settled at Schenectady. He married Diewer Wendell and had a son Johannes, and daughter Susanna. In the massacre of Feb. 9, 1690, he was slain, and his son was carried away captive to Canada, but was afterwards redeemed and returned to Schenectady.

specially pledging the aforesaid *bouwery*, lands, horses, and cattle, and generally his person and estate, personal and real, present and future, nothing excepted, subject to all the lord's laws and judges, for the recovery of said payment in due time, if need be, without cost or loss.

Albany, the 15th of January, 167½.

PIETER PIETERSE.

Jan Hend: Van Bael.
Gerrit Van Slichtenhorst.

In my presence,

LUDOVICUS COBES, Secretary.

On this 16th day of April, 1672, appeared before me, Ludovicus Cobes, secretary of Albany, etc., in the presence of the honorable Heeren commissaries, etc., Messrs. Gerrart Van Slichtenhorst and Jacob Schermerhoren, Volckert Janse [Douw], who declares that in true rights, free ownership, he grants, conveys and makes over by these presents, to and for the behoof of Barent Pieterse [Coeymans], in his island named *Schutters* island lying below the *Beeren* island, in this [North] river, by virtue of the patent thereof, dated the 14th of August, 1671, to which reference is herein made; free and unincumbered, with no claims standing or issuing against the same, excepting the lord's right, without the grantor's making the least pretension thereto any more, also acknowledging that he is fully paid and satisfied therefor, the first penny with the last, and therefore giving *plenam actionem cessam*, and full power to said Barent Pieterse, his heirs and successors or assigns, to do with and dispose of the same, as he might do with his patrimonial estate and effects; promising to protect and free the same from all such troubles, claims and liens of every person as are lawful, and further, never more to do nor suffer anything to be done against the same, with or without law, in any manner, on pledge according to laws therefor provided.

Done in Albany.

VOLCKART JANSE.

Gerrit Van Slichtenhorst.
Jacob Schermerhooren.

In my presence,

LUDOVICUS COBES, Secretary.

On this 14th day of May, 1672, appeared before me, Ludovicus Cobes, secretary of Albany, etc., in the presence of the honorable Heeren commissaries, etc., Messrs. Jan Hendriexse Van Bael and Gerrit Van Slichtenhorst, Mr. Siston, who declares, that in true rights, free ownership, he grants, conveys and makes over by these presents, to and for the behoof of Pieter Adriaense Soo Machelyck, in a certain lot lying here in Albany on the hill, to the south of Wynant Gerritse [Vander Poel] to the north of Jochem Backer, breadth in front and rear 22½ feet, and length two rods and eleven feet as well on the south as on the north sides all Rynland measure, free and unincumbered, with no claims standing or issuing against the same, save the lord's right, without the grantor's making the least pretension thereto any more, also acknowledging that he is fully paid and satisfied therefor, the first penny with the last, and therefore giving *plenam actionem cessam*, and full power to said Pieter Adriaense, his heirs and successors or assigns, to do with and dispose of said lot, as he might do with his patri-

monial estate and effects; promising to protect and free the same from all such troubles, claims and liens of every person as are lawful, and further, never more to do nor suffer anything to be done against the same, with or without law, in any manner, on pledge according to laws therefor provided.

Done in Albany.

MICH: SISTON.

Jan Hend: Van Bael.
Gerrit Van Slichtenhorst.

In my presence,

LUDOVICUS COBES, Secretary.

On this 18th day of June, 1672, appeared before me, Ludovicus Cobes, secretary of Albany, etc., in the presence of the honorable Heeren commissaries, etc., Jan Hendricxse Van Bael and Gerrit Van Slichtenhorst, Andries de Vos, who declares that in true rights, free ownership, he grants, conveys and makes over by these presents, to and for the behoof of Jan Conneel in a certain lot No. 1, lying on the hill, bounded westerly by Jan [De la] Wardt,[1] easterly by the public road, northerly by Pieter Winne, breadth on the south side four rods and westerly three rods and six feet, free and unincumbered, with no claims standing or issuing against the same, save the lord's right, without the grantor's making the least pretension against the same any more, also acknowledging that he is fully paid and satisfied therefor, the first penny with the last, and therefore giving *plenam actionem cessam*, and full power to said Jan Conneel, his heirs and successors or assigns, to do with and dispose of said lot, as he might do with his patrimonial estate and effects; promising to protect and free the same from all such troubles, claims and liens of every person as are lawful, and further, never more to do nor suffer anything to be done, with or without law, in any manner, on pledge according to laws therefor provided.

Albany.

ANDRYES DE VOS.

Jan Hend: Van Bael.
Gerrit Van Slichtenhorst.

In my presence,

LUDOVICUS COBES, Secretary.

On this 18th day of June, 1672, appeared before me, Ludovicus Cobes, secretary of Albany, etc., in the presence of the honorable Heeren commissaries, etc., J. H. Van Bael and Gerrart Van Slichtenhorst, Jochim Wesselse Backer, who declares that in true rights, free ownership, he grants, conveys and makes over by these presents, to and for the behoof of Jacob Abrahamse [Vosburgh], in his house and lot standing and lying on the High street in New York, bounded by the house of Abel Hardenbroeck on the one side and Adriaen Van Laer on the other, by virtue of a patent thereof to which reference is herein made, free and unincumbered, with no claims standing or issuing against the same, excepting the lord's right, without the grantor's making the least pretension any more thereto,

[1] Jan De La Ward came over in 1662 from Antwerp. Besides a lot in Albany he owned land at Niskayuna and an island in the Mohawk river above Schenectady, which he sold to Joris Aertse Vander Baast. He died 28th of January, 1702.

also acknowledging that he is fully paid and satisfied therefor, the first penny with the last, and therefore giving *plenam actionem cessam*, and full power to said Jacob Abrahamse, his heirs and successors or assigns, to do with and dispose of said house and lot, as he might do with his patrimonial estate and effects; promising to protect and free the same from all such trouble, claims and liens of every person as are lawful, and further, never more to do nor suffer anything to be done against the same, with or without law, in any manner, on pledge according to laws therefor provided.

Done in Albany.

JOCHEM BACKER.

Jan Hend: Van Bael.
Gerrit Van Slichtenhorst.

In my presence,

LUDOVICUS COBES, Secretary.

Appeared before me, Ludovicus Cobes, secretary of Albany, etc., in the presence of the honorable Heeren commissaries, etc., Messrs. Jan Hend. Van Bael and Gerrit Van Slichtenhorst, Mr. Philip Pieterse Schuyler, who declares that in true rights, free ownership, he grants, conveys and makes over by these presents, to and for the behoof of Heer Jeremias Van Rensselaer, in a certain house and lot standing and lying here in Albany, received by him from Capt. Thomas Willet, by conveyance and patent to which reference is herein made; free and unincumbered, with no claim standing or issuing against the same, excepting the lord's right, also acknowledging that he is fully paid and satisfied therefor, the first penny with the last, and therefore giving *plenam actionem cessam*, and full power to said Heer Jeremias Van Rensselaer, his heirs and successors or assigns, to do with and dispose of said house and lot, as he might do with his patrimonial estate and effects; promising to protect and free the same from all such troubles, claims and liens of every person as are lawful, and further, never more to do nor suffer anything to be done against the same, with or without law, in any manner, on pledge according to laws therefor provided.

Done in Albany, the 3d of July, 1672.

PHILIP SCHUYLER.

Jan Hend: Van Bael.
Gerrit Van Slichtenhorst.

In my presence,

LUDOVICUS COBES, Secretary.

Appeared before me, Ludovicus Cobes, secretary of Albany, etc., in the presence of the honorable Heeren commissaries, etc., Messrs. Jan Hendrickxse Van Bael and Gerrit Van Slichtenhorst, Jan Conneel, who declares that in true rights, free ownership, he grants, conveys and makes over by these presents, to and for the behoof of Marten Hoffman, in his house and lot standing and lying here in Albany, in length, breadth and boundaries according to the showing of the contract by him received from Jacob Joosten [Van Covelens] and by conveyance thereof, to which reference is herein made; free and unincumbered, with no claims standing or issuing against the same, save the lord's right, without the grantor's making the least pretension thereto any more, also acknowledging that he

is fully paid and satisfied therefor, the first penny with the last, and therefore giving *plenam actionem cessam*, and full power to said Marten Hoffman, his heirs and successors or assigns, to do with and dispose of said house and lot, as he might do with his patrimonial estate and effects; promising to protect and free the same from all such trouble, claims and liens of every person as are lawful, and further, never more to do nor suffer anything to be done against the same, with or without law, in any manner, on pledge according to laws, therefor provided.

Done in Albany, the 3d of June, 1672.

JOHN CONELL.

Jan Hend: Van Bael.
Gerrit Van Slichtenhorst.

In my presence,

LUDOVICUS COBES, Secretary.

On this 3d day of July, 1672, appeared before me, Ludovicus Cobes, secretary of Albany, etc., in the presence of the honorable Heeren commissaries, etc., Jan Hend. Van Bael and Gerrit Van Slichtenhorst, Mr. Evert Wendell, who acknowledges, that he is well and honestly indebted and in arrears to Mr. Jan Verbeeck and Theunis Dirricxe [Van Vechten], in the character of guardians of Anna Thomase, young daughter of the late Thomas Janse [Mingael], in the quantity of nineteen whole, good and merchantable beaver skins, growing out of merchandise delivered and received by him to his content, which aforesaid nineteen beavers the subscriber promises to pay to said guardians or the lawful bearer of this paper when said daughter shall come to lawful age or marriage state or sooner, with proper interest at ten per cent yearly, pledging therefor specially his house and lot here in Albany, and generally his person and estate, personal and real, present and future, nothing excepted, submitting the same to the authority of all the lord's laws and judges for the recovery of said payment in due time, if need be, without loss or cost.

Albany, the 3d of July, 1672.

EVERT WENDEL.

Jan Hend: Van Bael.
Gerrit Van Slichtenhorst.

In my presence,

LUDOVICUS COBES, Secretary.

On this 12th day of August, 1672, appeared before me, Ludovicus Cobes, secretary of Albany, etc., in the presence of the honorable Heeren commissaries, etc., Messrs. Jan Hendricxse Van Bael and Gerrart Van Slichtenhorst, Madam Johanna De Hulter, attorney for her *vaeder* [husband?] Mr. Jeronimus Ebbinck, who declares, that in true rights, free ownership, she grants, conveys and makes over to and for the behoof of Paulus Martense [Van Benthuysen], in her certain house and lot standing and lying here in Albany, bounded on the east side by the highway, on the south side by the house of Hendrick de Backer, on the west side by the garden of Hendrick Andriesse [Van Doesburgh] and Lambert Van Neck, and on the north side by the house of Lambert Van Neck, the lot being in breadth in front on the street thirty-two wood feet and four inches, and in length ten rods, as the said lot was received by him by conveyance from Tierck Claese De Wit, by virtue of a patent and deed thereof with whatsoever is thereon

fast by earth and nailed; free and unincumbered, with no claims standing or issuing against the same, excepting the lord's right, acknowledging that she is fully paid and satisfied therefor, the first penny with the last, and therefore giving *plenam actionem cessam*, and full power to said Paulus Martense, his heirs and successors or assigns, to do with and dispose of said house and lot, as he might do with his patrimonial estate and effects; promising to protect and free the same from all such troubles, claims and liens of every person as are lawful, and further, never more to do nor suffer anything to be done against the same, with or without law, in any manner, on pledge according to laws, therefor provided.

Done in Albany, *datum ut supra.*

Jan Hend: Van Bael JOHANNA DE HULTER.
Gerrit Van Slichtenhorst.

In my presence, LUDOVICUS COBES, Secretary.

On this 12th day of August, 1672, appeared before me, Ludovicus Cobes, secretary of Albany, etc., in the presence of the honorable Heeren commissaries, etc., Messrs. Jan Hendricxse Van Bael and Gerrart Van Slichtenhorst, Paulus Martense [Van Benthuysen], who declares that in true rights, free ownership, he grants, conveys and makes over by these presents, to and for the behoof of Arnhout Cornelisse [Viele] in a certain house and lot standing and lying here in Albany, enclosed and bounded according to patent and conveyance thereof, by him received from Mr. Jeronimus Ebbinck, free and unincumbered, with no claims standing or issuing against the same, save the lord's right, without the grantor's making the least pretension thereto any more, acknowledging that he is fully paid and satisfied therefor, the first penny with the last, and therefore giving *plenam actionem cessam*, and full power to said Arnhout Cornelise, his heirs and successors or assigns, to do with and dispose of said house and lot, as he might do with his patrimonial estate and effects; promising to protect and free the same from all such troubles, claims and liens of every person as are lawful, and further, never more to do nor suffer anything to be done against the same, with or without law, in any manner, on pledge according to laws therefor provided.

Albany, *dato ut supra.* POULUS MARTEN.
Jan Hend: Van Bael.
Gerrit Van Slichtenhorst.

In my presence, LUDOVICUS COBES, Secretary.

On this 13th day of August, 1672, appeared before me, Ludovicus Cobes, secretary of Albany, etc., in the presence of the honorable Heeren commissaries, etc., Mons. Jan Hendricxse Van Bael and Gerrart Van Slichtenhorst, Arnhout Cornelisse Vielen, who declares that in true rights, free ownership, he grants, conveys and makes over by these presents, to and for the behoof of Jan Cornelisse Vyselaer, in his certain house and lot, standing and lying here in Albany, with all that is fast by earth and nailed, and as it lies fenced in a square, received by him from Jan Koster [Van Aecken], and furthermore according to patent and contract thereof, dated 9th of August, 1670, to which reference is herein made, free and unincumbered, with no claims standing or issuing against the same, save the lord's right, without the grantor's making the least pretension thereto any more, acknowledging that he is fully paid and satisfied therefor, the

first penny with the last, and therefore giving *plenam actionem cessam*, and full power to said Jan Cornelisse Vyselaer, his heirs and successors or assigns, to do with and dispose of the same, as he might do with his patrimonial estate and effects; promising to protect and free the same from all such trouble, claims and liens of every person as are lawful, and further, never more to do nor suffer anything to be done against the same, with or without law, in any manner, on pledge according to laws therefor provided.

Albany, *dato ut supra.* ARNOUT COR. VIELEN.
Jan Hend: Van Bael.
Gerrit Van Slichtenhorst.
In my presence, LUDOVICUS COBES, Secretary.

On this 23d day of August, 1672, appeared before me, Ludovicus Cobes, secretary of Albany, etc., in the presence of the honorable Heeren commissaries, etc., Messrs. Jan Hendricxse Van Bael, and Gerrart Van Slichtenhorst, Gysbert Gerritse [Van Brakel],[1] attorney for Mary Goossense [Van Schaick], who declares that in true rights, free ownership, he grants, conveys and makes over, to and for the behoof of Barent Pieterse [Coeymans] miller, in a certain house and lot, as the same lies in fence, with all that is fast by earth and nailed, lying in *colonie* Rensselaerswyck, next the house of said Barent Pieterse; free and unincumbered, with no claim standing or issuing against the same; save the lord's right, without the grantors' making the least claim any more thereto, acknowledging that he is fully paid and satisfied therefor, the first penny with the last, and therefore giving *plenam actionem cessam*, and full power to said Barent Pieterse, his heirs and successors or assigns, to do with and dispose of the same, as he might do with his patrimonial estate and effects; promising to protect and free the same from all such trouble, claims and liens of every person as are lawful, and further, never more to do, nor to suffer anything to be done against the same, with or without law, in any manner on pledge according to law, therefor provided.

Albany, *dato ut supra.*
The mark of × GYSBERT GERRITSE, with his own hand set.
Jan Hend. Van Bael.
Gerrit Van Slichtenhorst.
In my presence, LUDOVICUS COBES, Secretary.

* * * * * * The commissaries of Albany, *colonie* Rensselaerswyck and Schanechtade, declare by these presents, that in true rights, free ownership, they grant, convey and make over, to and for the behoof of Barent Ryndertse, smith, in a lot No 13, lying on the hill here in Albany, breadth in front, two rods five feet, in the rear two rods and nine inches, length on the east side, three rods seven feet, and on the west side three rods eleven feet, bounded on the west by Goosen Gerritse [Van Schaick], on the east by Willem Bout, on the south by the public street, and on the north by Domine Schaets, according to the survey and regulation of the surveyor, dated $\frac{25 \text{ Apr.}}{5 \text{ May,}}$ last, which lot, the aforesaid

[1] Gysbert Gerritse Van Brokel was an early settler at Schenectady. His first wife was Reyntie Stephens; in 1693 he married Elizabeth Janse, "weduwe van Jan Van Eps, beide op Schenegtade woonachtig." He had four sons and one daughter, of whom Sander was killed, and Stephen was carried away captive by the Indians, Feb. 9, 1690. He made his will Dec. 10, 1709, and left a good estate to his children.

Barent Reyndertse, bought and paid for at public sale, according to the conditions; free and unincumbered (save the lord's right), and therefor giving full power to said Barent Reyndertse, his heirs and successors or assigns, to dispose thereof, as he might do with his patrimonial effects, with authority to ask for a patent for said lot, of the right honorable Heer general.

Done in Albany, $\frac{29\,\text{May,}}{8\,\text{June,}}$ 1668. R. V. Rensselaer.

Acknowledged before me,

D. V. Schelluyne, Secretary, 1668.

The commissaries of Albany, etc., declare by these presents, that in true rights, free ownership, they give and grant to the minister Domine Gideon Schaets, in a lot No. 14, lying here in Albany on the hill, breadth in front and rear five and twenty feet, length on the south side four rods six feet and three inches, on the north side four rods three feet and three inches, bounded on the east side by Claes Van Rotterdam, on the south side by Barent Reyndertse, smith, on the west side and north side the public highway and grounds, according to the survey and regulation thereof, of the surveyor dated $\frac{25\,\text{April,}}{5\,\text{May,}}$ last; free and unincumbered, excepting the lord's right, and therefor giving full power to said Dominie Schaets, his heirs and successors or assigns, to dispose thereof, as he might do with his patrimonial possessions, with authority to ask for a patent for said lot of the right honorable Heer general.

Done in Albany, the $\frac{29\,\text{May,}}{8\,\text{June.}}$ 1668. R. V. Rensselaer.

Acknowledged before me, D. V. Schelluyne, Secretary, 1668.

On this $\frac{3}{13}$ of July, 1668, Tys Evertse de Goyer, declares that he appoints and empowers by these presents, Mr. Jacob Schermerhoorn proposing to depart for Holland, specially to demand, collect and receive, of his brother, Evert Evertse, master carpenter, at Amsterdam, Holland, payment of the sum of one hundred and eighty guilders with the accrued interest on the same, which his late mother Grietie Janse, widow of his father, the late Evert Tyssen (deceased at Naerden), left for his hereditary portion, according to advices from his said brother, dated the 23d of September, 1663, and of the 5th of April, 1666, for which the subscriber, on the 17th of June, 1664, gave his said brother a power of attorney; together with whatever was bequeathed to him by his aforesaid deceased father, therefore for the receipt of said capital and accrued interest, together with whatever is found to be coming to him from his late father, *ex testamento vel ab intestato*, to his said brother or whosoever has the direction thereof, acquittance to pass, and furthermore all things to do, transact, and perform which he shall think needful and proper; promising at all times to hold true all that shall be done and performed by the said attorney in the matter aforesaid by virtue of this power, without any gainsaying, on pledge according to laws therefor made, provided this attorney be holden of his transactions and receipts, when requested, a proper statement to make.

Done in Albany in America, of date as above, in presence of Cornelis Cornelisse Van Voorhout and Barent Albertse [Bratt] as witnesses.

Thys Evertsen.

This mark is set by + *Cornelis Cornelisse Van Voorhout.*

This mark is set ∞ *by Barent Albertse, aforenamed.*

In my presence, D. V. Schelluyne, Secretary, 1668.

Appeared before me, Ludovicus Cobes, secretary of Albany, etc., in the presence of the honorable Heeren commissaries, etc., Mons. Ryckart Van Rensselaer and Mr. Jan Verbeeck, Capt. Backer, who declares that in true rights, free ownership, he grants, conveys and makes over by these presents, to and for the behoof of Wynant Gerritse Vander Poel, in lot No. 6 lying on the hill here in Albany, breadth in front two rods five inches, in the rear two rods, length on the south six rods eleven feet, on the north six rods and eight feet, bounded north by Gerrit Hardenberen, east by the grantor, south by Jacob Schermerhorn, Van Bael, and Jan Thomase [Mingal], and west by the public street, according to the survey and regulation of the surveyor, dated the 5th of May, 1668; free and unincumbered, with no claims standing or issuing against the same, save the lord's right, without the grantor's making the least pretension thereto any more, acknowledging that he is fully paid and satisfied therefor, the first penny with the last, and therefore giving *plenam actionem cessam*, and full power to said Wynant Gerritse, his heirs and successors or assigns, to do with and dispose of the same, as he might do with his patrimonial estate and effects; promising to protect and free said lot from all such trouble, claims, and liens of every person as are lawful, and further, never more to do nor suffer anything to be done against the same, with or without law, in any manner, on pledge according to laws therefor provided.

Done in Albany, the 16th of March, 1669.

R. V. Rensselaer. JOHN BAKER.
Jan Verbeeck.

Appeared before me, Ludovicus Cobes, secretary of Albany, etc., in the presence of the honorable Heeren commissaries, etc., Mr. Jan Verbeeck and Mr. Philip Schuyler, Hendrick Meese Vrooman, husbandman, dwelling on the land behind Kinderhoeck, who acknowledges that he is well and honestly indebted and in arrears to Tryntje Claese, in the quantity of one hundred and twenty-five skipples of good winter wheat or in seewant, twenty-five guilders for every six skipples of wheat, to the full sum and supplementary to the same a further sum of *f* 3.5 in seewant, for goods to his full satisfaction and content received, which aforesaid sums the subscriber promises to pay in manner hereafter written; *Firstly*, in the month of May next three beavers each of which shall be worth nine guilders, and in the month of June following, *f* 100 in seewant, and in the fall also following one of his largest oxen on a valuation of indifferent persons, therefor specially pledging five *loop* hogs and a cart, and generally his person and estate, personal and real, having and to have, nothing excepted, submitting the same to the force of all laws and judges, for the recovery of said payment in due time, if need be, without cost or loss.

Done in Albany, the 6th of April, 1670.

Jan Verbeeck. HEINDERICK MEESEN.
Philip Pieterse Schuyler.

In my presence, LUDOVICUS COBES, Secretary.

Appeared before me, Ludovicus Cobes, secretary of Albany, etc., in the presence of the honorable Heeren commissaries, etc., Mr. Jan Verbeeck and Mr. Philip Pieterse Schuyler, Jan Thomase [Mingael], old commissary, who declares by these presents, that in true rights, free ownership, he grants, conveys and makes over, to and for the behoof of *Mynheer* Thomas

De Lavall, merchant, in his certain claim upon some parcels of land lying in the Esopus, according to contract and patent thereof to which reference is herein made; free and unincumbered, with no claims standing or issuing against the same, save the lord's right, without the grantor's making the least pretension thereto any more, acknowledging that he is fully paid and satisfied therefor, the first penny with the last, by the hands of Heer De Lavall aforesaid, and therefore giving *plenam actionem cessam*, and full power to said Mynheer De Lavall, his heirs and successors or assigns, to do with and dispose of the aforesaid contract, claim and patent with the appurtenances of the same, as he might do with his patrimonial estate and effects; promising to warrant and defend against whatever may be brought against the same, if lawful, and further, never more to do nor suffer anything to be done against the same, with or without law, in any manner, on pledge according to law.

Done in Albany, the 30th of April, 1670.

Jan Verbeeck. JAN THOMASE.

Philip Pieterse Schuyler.

In my presence,

LUDOVICUS COBES, Secretary.

Appeared before me, Ludovicus Cobes, secretary of Albany, etc., in the presence of the honorable Heeren commissaries, etc., Messrs. Philip Pieterse Schuyler and Jan Verbeek, Volckert Janse [Douw], burgher and inhabitant here, who declares that in true rights, free ownership, he grants, conveys and makes over, to and for the behoof of *Mynheer* Thomas De Laval, merchant at New York, in his certain title to some parcels of land and buildings standing thereon, lying at the Esopus, according to patent thereof granted by the right honorable governor general, Richard Nicolls, to which reference is herein made, free and unincumbered, with no claims standing or issuing against the same, excepting the lord's right, without the grantor's making the least pretension thereto any more, also acknowledging that he is fully paid and satisfied therefor, the first penny with the last, by the hands of the Heer De Laval aforesaid, and therefore giving *plenam actionem cessam*, and full power to said *Mynheer* De Laval, his heirs and successors or assigns, to do with and dispose of said title to the aforesaid land, patent and the appendances and dependences of the same, as he might do with his patrimonial estate and effects; promising to protect and free the said parcels of land from all such trouble, claims and liens of every person as are lawful, and further, never more to do nor suffer anything to be done against the same, with or without law, in any manner, on pledge according to laws therefor provided.

Done in Albany, the 3d of May, 1670. VOLCKART JANSE.

This conveyance is made with this reservation, that the grantor must pay the carpenters according to contract, but the victuals and drink which the carpenters shall receive after the date of this conveyance, are to be at the cost of the honorable Heer De Laval.

Jan Verbeeck.

Philip Pieterse Schuyler.

In my presence,

LUDOVICUS COBES, Secretary.

By the aforesaid conveyance, Volckert Janse promises to deliver to the honorable Heer De Laval, all the materials which the grantor has carried thither, as well as carts, ploughs, harrows and all that he has there.

Albany, the 3d of May, 1670.

The honorable Heeren commissaries of Albany, *colonie* Rensselaerswyck, and Schaenhechtede, have granted a warrant (*acte van authorisatie*), on two certain sentences, the one of date the 17th of January, 1664, and the other of date the $\frac{16}{26}$ of January, $166\frac{7}{8}$, against Dirk Van Schelluyne, late secretary here, and in favor of Jacob Vis, said execution being made effectual by the purchase of a lot of land lying at Lubberde's land[1] in the colony Rensselaerswyck, belonging to Dirck Van Schelluyne, and that at public sale to the highest bidder on the 26th of October, 1668, according to proofs and conditions thereof in the custody of Mr. Provoost, vendue master, according to which conditions the purchaser was promised his warrant, and for the aforesaid lot of land Dirck Hesselingh, remained the highest bidder for the sum of one hundred and twenty guilders in beavers, said Vis ordering said money to be paid at New York, to Mr. Withart, or his servant Jan Janse Bleecker, so it is that the aforesaid Hesselingh, payment having been made, demands said promised warrant, wherefore their honors [the commissaries etc.,] grant their warrant, and ownership, in said lot of land, as by these presents they do warrant and grant him ownership in said land, so as to do with and dispose of the same, as he might do with his patrimonial estate and effects; *et tanquam actor et procurator in rem suam ac propriam;* promising to free the same from all such claims and liens as are lawful, and further, never more to do nor suffer anything to be done against the same, with or without law.

Given in Albany, the 17th of June, 1670.

ABRAM STAAS.
JAN VERBEECK.

In my presence, LUDOVICUS COBES, Secretary.

Appeared before me, Ludovicus Cobes, secretary of Albany, etc., in the presence of the honorable Heeren commissaries, etc., Mr. Abraham Staes and Mr. Jan Verbeeck, Mr. Roeloff Swartwout, dwelling in the Esopus, who declares that in true rights, free ownership, he grants, conveys and makes over by these presents, to and for the behoof of Ryckie Dareth, widow of the late Jan Dareth,[2] dwelling in Albany, in a lot lying on the road to the south and east of the house of Volckert Janse [Douw], according to extract from the conditions of public sale, in length and breadth as the same lies in fence and at present occupied by Sturm Vanderzee; free and unincumbered, with no claims standing or issuing against the same, excepting the lord's right, etc. * * * *

[This conveyance is imperfect.]

Appeared before me, Ludovicus Cobes, secretary of Albany, etc., in the presence of the honorable Heeren commissaries, etc., Mr. Jan Verbeeck and Mr. Abraham Staes, Jan Clute, burgher and inhabitant here

[1] Lubberde's land lay on the east side of the Hudson river, in the neighborhood of the present city of Troy.

[2] Jan Dareth and wife, Ryckie Van Dyck, both from Utrecht, were married in New Amsterdam Nov. 1, 1654. He soon after removed to Beverwyck.

who declares by these presents, that in true rights, free ownership, he grants, conveys and makes over, to and for the behoof of Mr. Gabriel Thomase [Stridles] [1] in a certain house and lot standing here in Albany, in length on the east side of Evert Luycasse [Backer] five rods seven feet and two inches, on the south the public highway breadth two rods and one foot, on the north side breadth three rods, on the west side Ruth Arentse length five rods one foot and three inches, Rynland measure; by virtue of a patent thereof granted by the right honorable the late Heer general Nicolls, of date the 24th of May, 1667, to which reference is herein made, except that fifteen feet to be taken off from this lot, sold by the grantor to Myndert Frederickse, and said house and lot shall be delivered to Gabriel Thomase, free and unincumbered, with no claims standing or issuing against the same, saving the lord's right, etc. * *
[This deed is imperfect, a part wanting.]

* * * * * [This conveyance is imperfect, wanting both the name of the grantee and description: it is subscribed by Robbert Sanders.]

On this the 25th day of August [1672], appeared before me, Ludovicus Cobes, secretary of Albany, etc., in the presence of the honorable Heeren commissaries, etc., Mons. Jan Hendricxse Van Bael and Gerrart Van Slichtenhorst, Pieter Meese Vrooman, who declares that in true rights, free ownership, he grants, conveys and makes over by these presents, to and for the behoof of Mons. Philip Pieterse Schuyler, in a certain house, barn and rick, with orchard and three morgens of land as the same lies in fence, (except the *Steenberch*), standing and lying here in the *colonie* Rensselaerswyck, by virtue of the contract thereof, dated the 22d of January, 167½, and the conveyance from Madam Ebbinck to the subscriber, of date the 28th of June, to which reference is herein made; free and unincumbered, with no claims standing or issuing against the same, save the lord's right, without the grantor's making the least pretension thereto any more, also acknowledging that he is fully paid and satisfied therefor, the first penny with the last, and therefore giving *plenam actionem cessam*, and full power to said Mons. Philip Pieterse, his heirs and successors or assigns, to do with and dispose of said house, barn, rick, orchard and land, as he might do with his patrimonial estate and effects; promising to protect and free the same from all such troubles, claims and liens of every person as are lawful, and further, never more to do nor suffer anything to be done against the same, with or without law, in any manner, on pledge according to laws therefor provided.

Albany.

Jan Hend: Van Bael. PIETER MEESEN.
Gerrit Van Slichtenhorst.

In my presence, LUDOVICUS COBES, Secretary.

On this 9th day of September, 1672, appeared before me, Ludovicus Cobes, secretary of Albany, etc., in the presence of the honorable Heeren commissaries, etc., Mons. Jan Hendricxse Van Bael and Gerrart Van

[1] Gabriel Thomase Stridles came to Beverwyck about 1662, and hired himself to Thomas Powell as a baker for two years at twenty-two beavers ($70.40) a year. He remained here until about 1692, when he removed to New York, where he died about 1718. He had four children baptized in Albany, and two in New York.

Slichtenhorst, Hendrick Koster, who declares that in true rights, free ownership, he grants, conveys and makes over by these presents, to and for the behoof of Mr. Jan Clute, in his house and lot lying on the hill here in Albany, to the north Hendrick Roosenboom, to the south the widow of Hendrick Andriesse [Van Doesburgh], east and west the public highway, breadth five rods, and length eighteen rods as the same was purchased at public sale on the 7th of September, 1672, and by virtue of a patent and conveyance thereof, to which reference is herein made; free and unincumbered, with no claims standing or issuing against the same, excepting the lord's right, without the grantor's making the least pretension thereto any more, also acknowledging that he is fully paid and satisfied therefor, the first penny with the last, and therefore giving *plenam actionem cessam*, and full power to said Mr. Jan Clute, his heirs and successors or assigns, to do with and dispose of the same, as he might do with his patrimonial estate and effects, promising to protect and free the same from all such trouble, claims and liens of every person as are lawful, and further, never more to do nor to suffer anything to be done against the same, with or without law, in any manner, on pledge according to laws therefor provided.

Albany, *ut supra.*

Jan Hend: Van Bael. HENDERICK KOSTER.
Gerrit Van Slichtenhorst.

In my presence, LUDOVICUS COBES, Secretary.

* * * * * * [This conveyance, dated 11th of Aug., 1670, is wanting save a few lines conveying no information, and the signature of the grantor, Geertruyt Vosburgh,[1] by her mark.]

Appeared before me, Ludovicus Cobes, secretary of Albany, etc., on the date underwritten, in the presence of the honorable Heeren commissaries, etc., Sander Leendertse Glen, old commissary, dwelling at Schaenhechtede, who acknowledges that he is well and honestly indebted to Mr. Abraham Staes in the sum of two hundred and eighty-eight guilders in beavers for wares and merchandise to his content received, which aforesaid *f.* 288 in beavers the subscriber promises to pay to Mr. Abraham or his order within the time of two years, therefor pledging specially his *bouwery* with land, house, barn and ricks lying at Schaenhechtede, and further more, generally his person and estate, personal and real, present and future, nothing excepted, for the recovery of said payment in due time, if need be, without loss or cost.

Done at Schaenhechtede, the 12th of August, 1670.

Jan Verbeeck. SANDER LENRSEN GLEN.
Philip Pieterse Schuyler.

Acknowledged before me,
LUDOVICUS COBES, Secretary.

On this 5th day of July, 1687, Maj. Abraham Staas appeared before the secretary, and declared that he had received full payment and satisfaction by the hands of Catharina [Van Witbeck] widow of the late Jacob Sanderse Glen, oldest son of Sander Leendertse Glen, for the above bond and mortgage executed for my behoof, the 12th of August, 1670, thereby releasing all the heirs and successors of said Sander Leendertse Glen from

[1] Geertruy Vosburgh was the wife of Pieterse Jacobse Vosburgh, the first of the name in Albany.

all actions and claims. In confirmation of which I have hereto set my hand and seal in Albany, on the above date.

[Seal] [1]

ABRAM STAES.

Acknowledged before me, * * * * * *

Appeared before me, Ludovicus Cobes, secretary of Albany, etc., in the presence of the honorable Heeren commissaries, etc., Mr. Abraham Staas and Mr. Philip Schuyler, Sander Leendertse Glen, old commissary, dwelling at Schaenhechtede, who acknowledges that he is well and honestly indebted for arrears to the Heer Jeremias Van Rensselaer and Jacob Sanderse Glen, attorneys for the administrators of the late Jan Bastiaense [Van Gutsenhoven], in the sum of *f* 6000 in beavers, for wares and merchandise, to his content received, according to an obligation therefor, which sum of *f* 6000 in beavers, the subscriber promises to pay to said attorneys, or their order, therefor pledging specially his *bouwery*, land, house, barn and ricks, horses and cattle therein, lying at Schaenhechtede, and generally his person and estate, personal and real, present and future, nothing excepted, for the recovery of said sum, in due time, if need be, without loss and cost.

Done in Schaenhechtede, the 13th of August, 1670.

SANDER LENRSEN GLEN.

Acknowledged before me,

LUDOVICUS COBES, Secretary.

On this 9th day of September, 1672, appeared before me, Ludovicus Cobes, secretary of Albany, etc., in the presence of the honorable Heeren commissaries, etc., Mons. Jan Hendriexse Van Bael and Gerrart Van Slichtenhorst, Mr. Jan Clute, who declares that in true rights, free ownership, he grants, conveys and makes over, by these presents, to and for the behoof of Jan Janse Bleecker, in his house and lot, standing and lying in Albany, on the hill, on the west side Helmer Otten length two rods ten feet and three inches, in front on the highway one rod ten feet and six inches, length on the east side three rods, all Rynland measure, also a little corner of land that adjoins on said lot in the rear, in breadth, one rod ten feet six inches, on the south end one rod nine feet and two inches, length east and west six feet less three inches, also Rynland measure; free and unincumbered, with no claims standing or issuing against the same, excepting the lord's right, without the grantor's making the least claim any more thereto, also acknowledging that he is fully paid and satisfied therefor, the first penny with the last, and therefore giving *plenam actionem cessam*, and full power to said Jan Janse Bleecker, his heirs, successors or assigns, to do with and dispose of said house and lot, as he might do with his patrimonial estate and effects; promising to protect and free the same from all such trouble, claims and liens of every person as are lawful, and further, never more to do nor suffer anything

[1] This is the only instance of a seal being attached to an instrument in the first two volumes of deeds.

to be done against the same, with or without law, in any manner, on pledge according to laws therefor provided.

Albany, of date *ut supra.*

JOHANNES CLUTE.

Jan Hend: Van Bael.
Gerrit Van Slichtenhorst.

On this 9th day of September, 1672, appeared before me, Ludovicus Cobes, secretary of Albany, etc., in the presence of the honorable Heeren commissaries, etc., Mons. Jan Hendricxse Van Bael and Gerrart Van Slichtenhorst, Mr. Jan Clute, who declares that in true rights, free ownership, he grants, conveys and makes over by these presents, to and for the behoof of Hendrick Lansinck [1] and Lucas Gerritse [Wyngaert],[2] in a certain lot lying on the hill, breadth in front on the street three rods one and one-sixth feet, and the same in the rear on the east side, on the west two rods and eleven feet, all Rynland measure; free and unincumbered, with no claims standing and issuing against the same, excepting the lord's right, without the grantor's making the least pretension thereto any more, also acknowledging that he is fully paid and satisfied therefor, the first penny with the last, and therefore giving *plenam actionem cessam*, and full power to said Hendrick Lansinck and Luycas Gerritse, their heirs and successors or assigns, to do with and dispose of said lot, as they might do with their patrimonial estates and effects; promising to protect and free the same from all such trouble, claims, and liens of every person as are lawful, and further, never more to do nor suffer anything to be done, with or without law, in any manner, on pledge according to laws therefor provided.

Albany, of date as above.

JOHANNES CLUTE.

Jan Hend: Van Bael.
Gerrit Van Slichtenhorst.

On this 9th day of September, 1672, appeared before me, Ludovicus Cobes, secretary of Albany, etc , in the presence of the honorable Heeren commissaries, etc., Mons. Jan Hendricxse Van Bael and Gerrart Van Slichtenhorst, Mr. Jan Clute, who declares that in true rights, free ownership, he grants, conveys and makes over by these presents, to and for the behoof of Jan Byvanck, in a certain lot lying on the hill, length on the east side, next to Hendrick Lansinck, two rods and eleven feet, in front on the street twenty-one feet and seven inches, in the rear two rods less a half foot, length on the west side, next to Gerret Hardenberch, thirty-four feet and one inch, all Rynland measure; free and unincumbered, with no claims standing or issuing against the same, excepting the lord's

[1] Hendrik Lansingh was son of Gerrit Lansingh, who came to Albany from Hassell near Swoll, in Overyssell, Holland. He had two children, Jacob and Alida. The date of his death in the church records, is the 11th of July, 1709.

[2] Lucas Gerritse Wyngaert was a baker, and owned the lot on south corner of Broadway and State street, in 1715.— *Annals of Albany*, VII, 22, 72; X, 16. By his wife, Anna Janse Van Hoesen, he had three sons and one daughter. He made his will 30 Oct., 1709.

right, without the grantor's making the least pretension thereto any more, also acknowledging that he is fully paid and satisfied therefor, the first penny with the last, and therefore giving *plenam actionem cessam*, and full power to said Jan Byvanck, his heirs and successors or assigns, to do with and dispose of said lot, as he might do with his patrimonial estate and effects; promising to protect and free the same from all such trouble, claims and liens of every person as are lawful, and further, never more to do nor suffer anything to be done against the same, with or without law, in any manner, on pledge according to laws therefor provided.

JOHANNES CLUTE.

Jan Hend: Van Bael.
Gerrit Van Slichtenhorst.

On this 9th day of September, 1672, appeared before me, Ludovicus Cobes, secretary of Albany, etc., in the presence of the honorable Heeren commissaries, etc., Messrs. Jan Hendricxse Van Bael and Gerrart Van Slichtenhorst, Mr. Jan Clute, who declares that in true rights, free ownership, he grants, conveys and makes over by these presents, to and for the behoof of Gerrit Hardenberch, in a certain lot lying on the hill, length on the east side next to Jan Byvanck, thirty-four feet and one inch, Rynland measure, breadth front and rear, twenty-four wood feet, on the west side next to Jan Bleecker, thirty-two feet and eight inches, Rynland measure, also a little corner of land in the rear, breadth front and rear ten feet three and one-sixth inches, on the east side length two rods, and on the west side two rods and two inches; free and unincumbered, with no claims standing or issuing against the same, excepting the lord's right, without the grantor's making the least pretension thereto any more, also acknowledging that he is fully paid and satisfied therefor, the first penny with the last, and therefore giving *plenam actionem cessam*, and full power to said Gerrit Hardenberch, his heirs and successors or assigns, to do with and dispose of said lot, as he might do with his patrimonial estate and effects; promising to protect and free the same from all such trouble, claims and liens of every person, as are lawful, and further, never more to do nor suffer anything to be done against the same, with or without law, in any manner, on pledge according to laws therefor provided.

Albany, *dato ut supra.*

JOHANNES CLUTE.

Jan Hend: Van Bael.
Gerrit Van Slichtenhorst.

On this 17th day of September, 1672, appeared before me, Ludovicus Cobes, secretary of Albany, etc., in the presence of the honorable Heeren commissaries, etc., Mr. Jan Hendricxse Van Bael and Gerrart Van Slichtenhorst, Claes Ripse [Van Dam] who declares that in true rights, free ownership, he grants, conveys and makes over, by these presents, to and for the behoof of Gerrit Theunisse [Van Vechten], in his certain house and lot, which he received by conveyance from Marcelis Janse [Van Bom-

mel] and Cornelis Wynkoop, and by virtue of the patent thereof, dated the 6th of June, 1667, to which reference is herein made; free and unincumbered, with no claims standing or issuing against the same, save the lord's right, without the grantor's making the least pretension thereto any more; also acknowledging that he is fully paid and satisfied therefor, the first penny with the last, and therefore giving *plenam actionem cessam*, and full power to said Gerrit Theunisse, his heirs and successors or assigns, to do with and dispose of said house and lot, as he might do with his patrimonial estate and effects; promising to protect and free the same from all such trouble, claims and liens of every person as are lawful, and further, never more to do nor suffer anything to be done against the same, with or without law, in any manner, on pledge according to laws therefor provided.

Albany *dato ut supra.*

CLAES RIPSE VAN DAM.

Jan Hend: Van Bael.
Gerrit Van Slichtenhorst.

In my presence,

LUDOVICUS COBES, Secretary.

On this 17th day of September, 1672, appeared before me, Ludovicus Cobes, secretary of Albany, etc., in the presence of the Heeren commissaries, Jan H. Van Bael and G. Van Slichtenhorst, Gerrit Theunisse [Van Vechten], who declares, that in true rights, free ownership, he grants, conveys and makes over by these presents, to and for the behoof of Ricchard Shisair, in his certain house and lot by him received from Claes Ripse [Van Dam], by virtue of the patent thereof, to which reference is herein made, free and unincumbered, with no claims standing or issuing against the same, excepting the lord's right, without the grantors' making the least pretension thereto any more, also acknowledging that he is fully paid and satisfied therefor, the first penny with the last, and therefore giving *plenam actionem cessam*, and full power to said Ricchard Srisair, his heirs and successors or assigns, to do with and dispose of said house and lot, as he might do with his patrimonial estate and effects; promising to protect and free the same from all such trouble, claims and liens of every person as are lawful, and further, never more to do, nor suffer anything to be done against the same, with or without law, in any manner, on pledge according to laws therefor provided.

Albany, *dato ut supra.*

The mark of ✠ GERRIT THEUNISSE,
with his own hand set.

Jan Hend: Van Bael.
Gerrit Van Slichtenhorst.

In my presence,

LUDOVICUS COBES, Secretary.

On this 15th day of December, 1672, appeared before me, Ludovicus Cobes, secretary of Albany, etc., in the presence of the honorable Heeren

commissaries, etc., Monsrs. Andries Teller and Adriaen Gerritse [Papendorp], Jurriaen Theunisse Tappen, who declares that in true rights, free ownership, he grants, conveys and makes over by these presents, to and for the behoof of Herman Vedder, in a house, barn and ricks, also a garden in the rear on the land, together with twelve morgens and one hundred and thirty rods of land lying at Schaenhechtede, being allotment No. 8, enclosed and bounded according to the description of the patent to which reference is herein made; free and unincumbered, with no claims standing or issuing against the same, excepting the lord's right, without the grantor's making the least pretension thereto any more, also acknowledging that he is fully paid and satisfied therefor, the first penny with the last, by the hands of said Harmen Vedder, and therefore giving *plenam actionem cessam*, and full power to Herman Vedder, his heirs and successors or assigns, to do with and dispose of said house, lot, garden and lands, as he might do with his patrimonial estate and effects; promising to protect and free the same from all such trouble, claims and liens of every person as are lawful, and further, never more to do nor suffer anything to be done against the same, with or without law, in any manner, on pledge according to laws therefor provided.

Albany, *dato ut supra.* JUREJAN TUNSEN TAPPEN.

Adriaen Gerritsen.

As Teller.

In my presence,

LUDOVICUS COBES, Secretary.

Appeared before me, Rot. Livingston, secretary of Albany, colony Rensselaerswyck, Schaenhectady, etc., in the presence of the honorable Heeren Mr. Dirk Wessells [Ten Broeck] and Mr. Cornelis Van Dyk, commissaries of the same jurisdiction, Pieter Janse Lokermans, who declares that in true rights, free ownership, he grants, conveys and makes over, to and for the behoof of Jan Andriese de Cuyper, in a certain lot lying here in Albany, whereon said Jan Andriese's house stands, bounded south by the lot of Wynant Gerritse Van der Poel, north by the house of the grantor, Pieter Lokermans, east by the highway, and west by the cart way, in breadth in front on the street twenty wood feet and six inches and in the rear twenty wood feet, length south and north seven and a half rods, which the grantor does by virtue of a patent to him from the late governor Rich : Nicolls, of date the 14th of May, 1667, to which reference is herein made; free and unincumbered, with no claim standing or issuing against the same (excepting the lord's right), without the grantor's making the least pretension thereto any more, also acknowledging that he is fully paid and satisfied therefor, the first penny with the last, and therefore giving *plenam actionem cessam*, and full power to do with and dispose of the same as he might do with his patrimonial estate and effects; promising never more to do nor suffer anything to be done against the same, with or without law, in any manner, on pledge according to laws therefor provided.

Done in Albany, the 3d of March, 1679.

PIETER LOOCKERMANS.

Acknowledged before me,

RO: LIVINGSTON, Secretary.

Appeared before me, Ro[t] Livingston, secretary of Albany, etc., in the presence of Arnout Cornelise Viele, and William Parker, Ryckie Staes, wife of Jacob Staes,[1] who declared that she has sold, and that Philip Schuyler has purchased her house and lot with barn, with all that is fast by earth and nailed, standing and lying here in Albany, bounded north by the first *killetie* and Jochem Wessells [De Backer], west by the highway, south by the house of William Loveridge, hatter, and east by the river, breadth in front on the street nine rods, and in the rear four rods and nine feet, length on the south side thirteen rods, and north seventeen rods, from which lot forty feet in breadth in front on the street, and twenty feet in the rear, must be deducted for the public street; with all the appurtenances according to patent thereof from governor R: Nicolls, dated the 3d of May, (?) 1667, (except the lord's right), in consideration of which the purchaser is obligated and promises to pay said Ryckie Staes, her order or assigns, the quantity of one hundred and fifty good whole merchantable beaver skins, to be paid in two installments, to wit, the first next July, a just half, being seventy-five beavers, and the last installment in July, 1680, the remaining half. The buyer shall have the privilege of occupying and using said house and lot immediately, and a conveyance shall be made on full payment for the same. In witness of which the parties hereto have subscribed their names, in presence of the aforesaid witnesses.

Done in Albany, the.....

[The above paper was not executed.]

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[1] Jacob Staes, "chirurgeon," was the eldest son of Maj. Abram Staes. He settled in Albany, but there is no mention in the records of any descendants. His brothers, Samuel and Abraham, left large families.

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